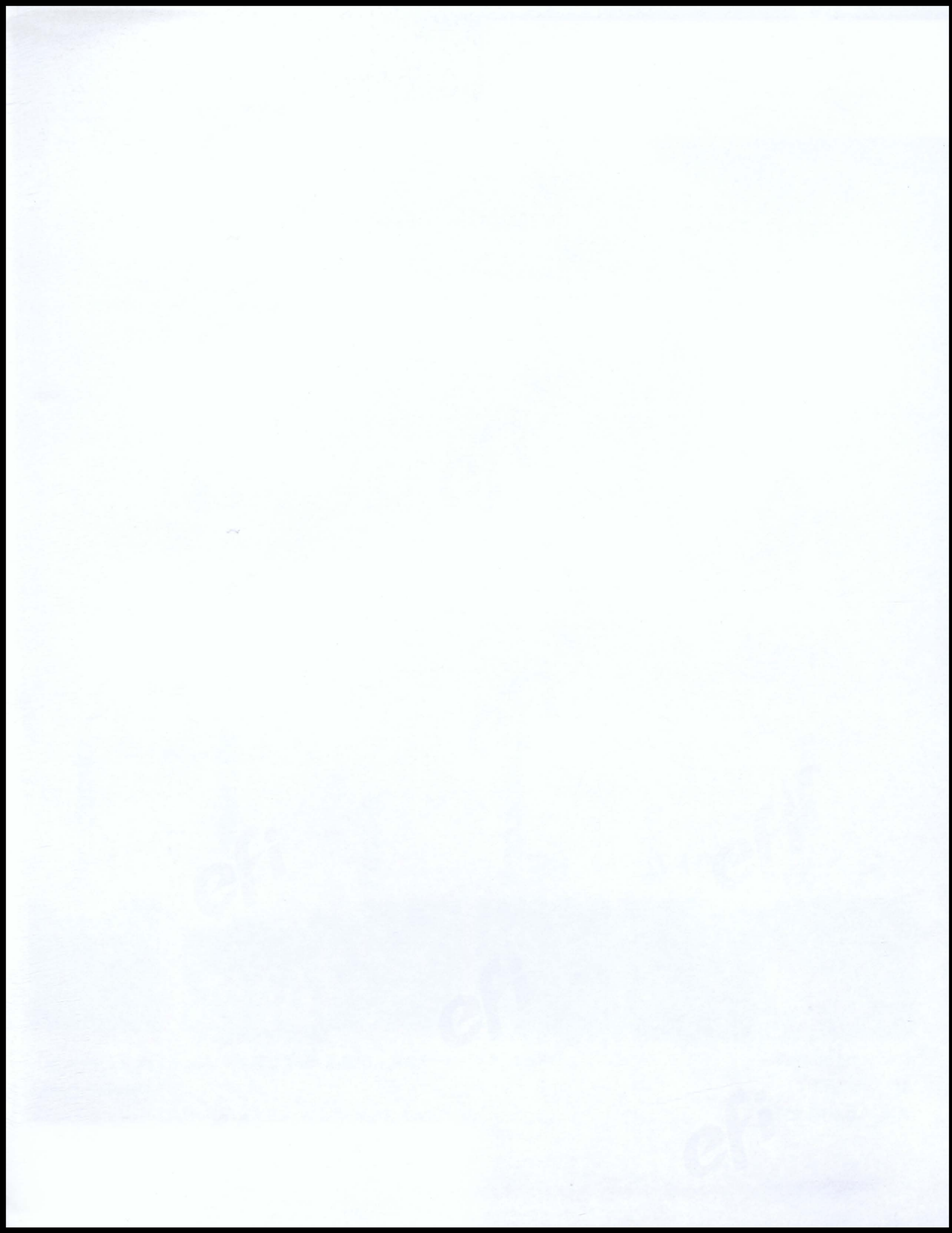
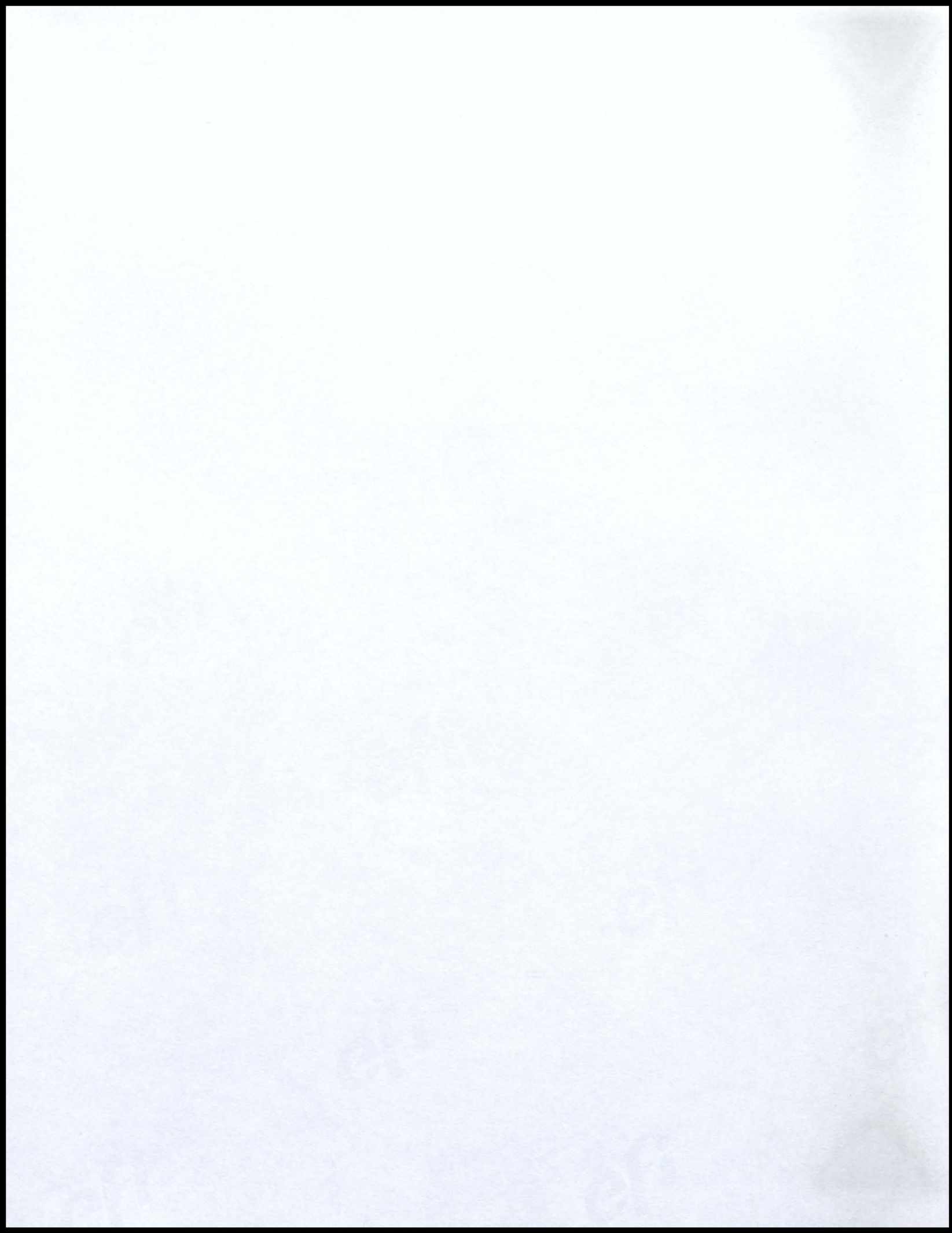


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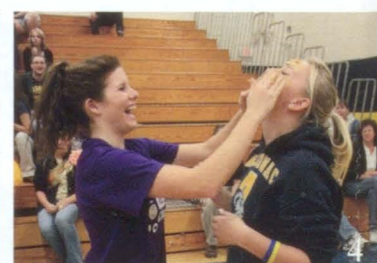


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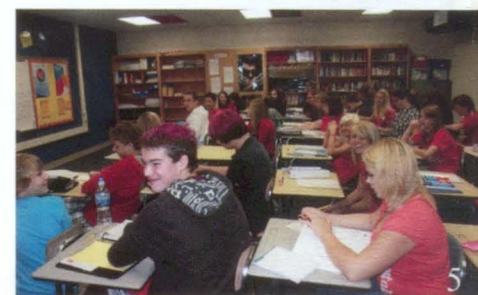
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"I aspire to be that,
to be a voice of
reason one day."
-Drew Barrymore

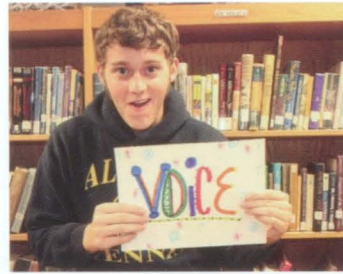


1. Looking toward the field, Alex Mercadante (11) takes a quick break before getting back into the intense rivalry between the junior and senior girls.
2. a new activity to experience, freshmen walk proudly behind their float modeled after the city of Hollywood.
3. Varsity cheerleaders get the seniors on their feet and lead them in their final victory chant. Each year, the battle cries get louder and more tremendous as the grades move on through high school and make their way to the top.
4. School spirit is taken to the next level as Julie Baronowski (12) sacrifices herself and allows Megan Fisher (12) to smear sticky peanut butter over her face in an attempt to rack up more points and win the overall spirit competition.



Ms. Lauren Wummel's class is a sea of red as English 9 Honors completes a *Romeo and Juliet* analysis on class color day.

Have a VOICE



People want their voices to be heard. Whether in the classroom, on the playing field, in a group, or simply with friends, every voice counts. Throughout the classrooms, students and teachers interact on a daily basis. The unique nature of a smaller school allows each individual to get to know one another on a more personal level, which in turn, allows us to work better as a whole. To get a better understanding of the students, teachers are actively involved as coaches, advisors, and group sponsors.

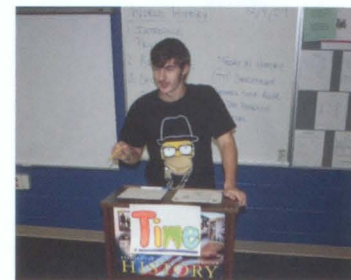
Having a say includes participating in groups such as Principal's Advisory or Student Council. These organizations allow students to voice their opinions on specific matters dealing with issues pertaining to the school. Many of the events that take place throughout the year are handed over to students who are willing to take on the responsibility of making events and group organizations such as Powder Puff, Prom, Homecoming, publication design, National Honor Society, and S.A.D.D. a success. "It is important to keep the S.A.D.D. program going because the message that we are trying to get across applies to all students. We want kids to realize that driving under the influence, even just one time, could ruin the rest of their lives," said senior Danielle Lipa.

As Maya Angelou once said, "Words mean more than what is set down on paper. It takes the human voice to infuse them with shades of deeper meaning." Each individual has the ability to make a change, the choice lies within the person, the question is if they are willing to pursue it.



1. Pulling from both ends of the rope, the seniors and the teachers go head to head in a battle of strength to decide who wins the tug-of-war competition.
2. Hearing stomping on the bleachers and cheering from the fans, Muskrat football players run out of the tunnel prior to the game's starting whistle.
3. With their hands held high in the air, freshmen Muskrat die hard fans stand on the bleachers, freezing while screaming the cheers for the varsity game.
4. Cross Country team members prepare themselves mentally and physically before the signal of the start of the race. Getting in position early in the race is important for success.

5. Planning, Coty Dibble (12), Mike Marotta (12), Ronnie Schroeder (12), and Tyler Peters (12) design their interpretation of Escher's Gestalt principles in AP Psychology.



"Screaming is bad for the voice, but it's good for the heart."

-Conor Oberst



1. Brooke Ruhlman (12) and Brittany Greer (12) paint the senior banner, giving it their best shot to add some uniqueness and to top previous designs.

2. Mole day royalty is announced. Queen Amanda DeGregory (11) and King Brian Coughlin (11) put on their crowns, mole noses, and sashes symbolizing the victory.

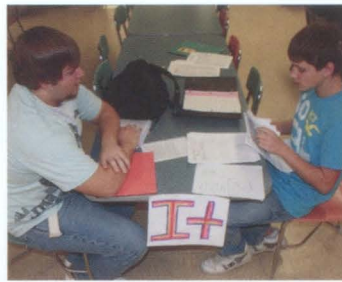
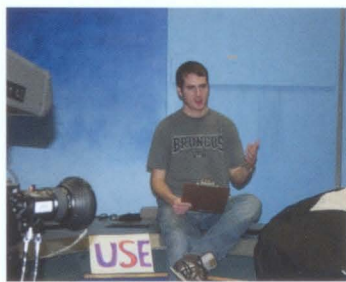
3. With a hard spike over the net, Janine Lewandoski (11) smacks the ball into the opposing team's court, keeping the ball in play.

4. Grouping together on the line of scrimmage, varsity football players anticipate the opposing defense and the upcoming play by the Imlay City opponents.



5. Getting the fans pumped up for the game, Shelby Ross (11), Julie Rumenapp (11), and Kelly Schultz (9) clap their hands and stomp their feet to the beat.

Have a VOICE



Shout it, scream it, say it out loud, because soon, before you know it, the moment will have passed with the blink of an eye and the chance to voice your opinion will be long gone. "I feel that more students should become involved in numerous activities. The four years go by so fast, you need to take advantage of the time you have," said senior Cassie Paulun.

Having a say is necessary as the 2009-2010 school year is in the midst of numerous changes. The vision and voice of the community from the bond of November 2007 became a reality as students returned to new carpet, new paint, geothermal heat, a new gym, and a new sport's entrance. With personnel in different positions, physical adjustments to the building, and advances in technology, students and staff adapted to these intricate changes. "I like the changes like new technology and the parking lot. In the future all of the upcoming changes are going to benefit the students tremendously," said senior Tommy Moehlman.

Voices changed in November with Principal Brent Case leaving and Brian Brutyn taking over. Mr. Brian Brutyn said, "My goals and plans are to sustain the excellent programs that we are already offering. Future goals and plans that I have in mind will start to develop as I become more comfortable in my new position." The school is heading in the right direction academically, and with the voice of each individual, we can continue to move onward in making years to come a success.



1. Before seniors take a picture with their banner, a very traditional event, John Hintzman (12) quickly signs his name as students scurry into the gym for the pep assembly.
2. Warming up and practicing his serve, Max Trombly (12) concentrates on getting the ball over the net prior to his tennis match.
3. At halftime, the varsity football team crowds around Coach Jamie Thiede listening for upcoming strategy for the second half, while some reflections about the first are also discussed.
4. The high school and middle school choirs come together to entertain the audience with a wonderful Halloween performance. Not only were songs of the season used, but individual members added costumes for an authentic look.

5. Creating a model in AP Psychology, Danielle Radulski (11) uses pipe cleaners to help her remember the correct sequence in neuron communication.



Dominick Mayle (12)
Wei Nong (12)



Steve Kuhr (11)



Katie Kastler (12)
Stacy Rix (12)
Ally Molletti (12)



Jennifer **Warwick** (10)
Nicole **Bonam** (9)
Chelsea **Warwick** (10)



Mr. Jason **Lucka** (Math Teacher)

"We do not remember
days; we remember
moments."

-Cesare Pavese

1. Capturing the Incredibles, Rachel Schreck (12), Beth Darling (12), Julie Baranowski (12), Kristin Schultz (12), and Megan Fisher (12) ruled with super human strength on movie character day of Spirit Week.

2. Crazy hair day brought out unique styles in many students, including Kacie Combs' (10) updo screaming with various colors.

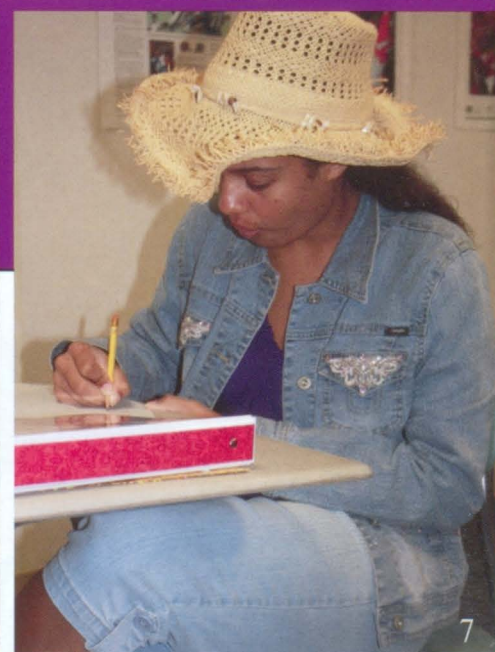
3. Voices aren't the only loud things in the classroom. Chelsea Hart (10) and Morgan Rorah (10) display some far out designs with their homemade tie dye. "Dying shirts added more fun to Spirit Week" said Rorah.

4. Cody Hug (12) and Steve Kuhr (11) show off their blue and gold while capturing the moments of Spirit Week for AV Production class.

5. Despite their differences in the Grendel debate in World Literature, Jessica Rose (12) and Tommy Moehlman (12) both sport their class colors.

6. Bringing a touch of the island to the classroom, Mrs. Cheryl Scharnweber helps Shyla McCullough (11) with her character sketch in American Literature.

7. Dressing up for the first time, voicing her spirit, Tamanique Griffin (12) said, "I never participated in Spirit Week, so I had fun doing it my senior year."



Enthusiasm is excitement

with inspiration, motivation,
and a pinch of creativity."

-Bo Bennett

Enthusiasm Rules Spirit Week



Halls are filled with spirit throughout the week of Homecoming. Student Council worked hard to create new and exciting days, aiming to have more students dress up. Adding two new days, movie character day and Hawaiian/tie dye shirt day, the classrooms exploded with bright colors, hula skirts, and a variety of characters. "Movie character day was my favorite," said freshman Joelle Roberts, "My friends and I dressed up as smurfs." Other days added to boost pride were class color and crazy hair day, western day, and blue/gold day.

Seniors combined their creativity and participation to win the spirit count competition. Taking her spirit to the max, senior Beth Darling won the most Spirited Student Award. "I was excited to see that my hard effort and time for dressing up all week was recognized."

Spirit week takes students out of their everyday routine, and adds some spice to homecoming. Sophomore Sara Trombly said, "Spirit week pumps everyone up on an equal level and brings all the classes together." Students come together to show their school pride as blue and gold day ends the week, giving everyone a chance to voice their Muskrat Pride.



1. The wild west made a screeching halt in French class. Junior Lauren Fisher (11) said, "We had fun on western day celebrating Kyle Madaj's (11) birthday."

2. Class color and Powder Puff day ended up being controversial. Not knowing until the end of the day, whether the game was on, both juniors and seniors kept the rivalry intense. Susan Hastings (11), Hannah Schmidt (11), Kellie Smith (11), Emily Henry (11) and Janine Lewandoski (11) flex their muscles, intimidating their opponents in the hallway, while Katie Smith (11) said, "We didn't have our jerseys on color day, but we still dressed up and had fun."

3. dye and Hawaiian day were a big hit for students. With a Hawaiian shirt and lei, Thomas Brooks (10) and Trace Petrovich (10) complete a group assignment in American Literature class.



"The thrill isn't
in the winning,
it's in the doing."
-Chuck Noll

The Thrill of the Game

Seniors versus juniors in the Powder Puff game has been a long running homecoming tradition. Since the beginning of the Powder Puff tradition, the senior girls have gone almost always undefeated. Each year it goes without saying that questionable calls will be made, and traditionally, most of them are in favor of the senior class. As always, there were a few illegal tackles made by players in desperation.

Though the junior girls usually claim the game is rigged, this year seemed to be different. Senior Brooke Ruhlman said, "This year the referees made more fair calls instead of favoring the seniors. It made the game a lot more intense." Agreeing, junior Ashley Edwards said, "It was a pretty fair game this year, but a few unfair calls were made. Overall, it was a good game."

Both seniors and juniors fought hard, and the seniors pulled ahead for an early lead. By the end of the second quarter the juniors tied up the game. With each team having the same amount of points, the outcome of the game was still up in the air. Watching from the sideline, junior Nick Chaney said, "The girls played hard. The game was really intense and exciting."

The senior girls brought it home toward the end of the close game with a final touchdown made by senior Sarah McIntosh. Those six points ended the Powder Puff game as another senior victory with a score of seniors 14, juniors 12.



1. In a battle for ball control, Mishel' May (12) pushes through defensive player Julia Waite (11) while others provide coverage.

2. Screaming cheers for their teammates, Patia Burgess (12), Megan Fisher (12), and Naomii Genaw (12) get pumped up about the game and cheer on the team.



3. **Junior Powder Puff:** Front Row: Austin Wirgau, Brian Coughlin, Emily Henry, Ashley Edwards, Janine Lewandoski Second Row: Nicole Nader, Danielle Radulski, Lauren Fisher, Jessica Miller, Caitlin LaLonde, Shelby Ross, Alex Mercadante, Amanda DeGregory Back Row: Kirsten Seidl, Julie Ruemenapp, Kellie Smith, Julia Waite, Alyssa Miller, Paige Sadlowski, Heidi Highstreet, Whitney Angers, Taylor Pauley, Troy Wykowski.



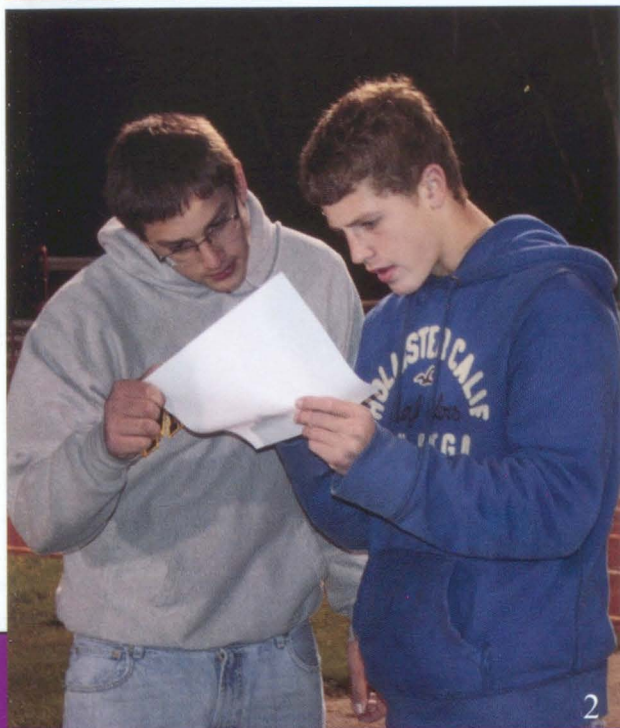
1. Reviewing plays, Brooke Ruhlman (12), Brittany Greer (12), Sarah McIntosh (12) and Carolyn Goodall (12) plan how to gain extra yardage in the intense battle with the junior girls.

2. With the lead going back and forth, coaching was an important element for victory. Jon Murray (11) and Patrick Mytinger (11) concentrated on a strategy to bring the juniors to victory. Murray said, "Coaching was fun because I got to boss the girls in my grade around."

3. **Senior Powder Puff:** *Front Row:* Carolyn Goodall, Stacy Rix, Kaylin Hurlburt, Katie Kastler, Sarah McIntosh, Brooke Ruhlman, Ally Molletti, Beth Darling *Second Row:* Erin Chicosky, Mishel' May and Rachel Shreck *Third Row:* Naomii Genaw, Patia Burgess, Megan Fisher, Amanda Martin, Kristin Schultz, Julie Baranowski. *Back Row:* Nate Smith, Mike Marotta, Eric Heim, John Hintzman.

4. In a very close game, the outcome was in question right up until the last seconds of the clock ticked away. With a call against the seniors at the end, time was added to the clock for the juniors. Seniors managed to hold the juniors and celebrate their victory.

5. With the game on the line, Julia Waite (11), Amanda DeGregory (11) and Shelby Ross (11) concentrate on their coaches' instructions.



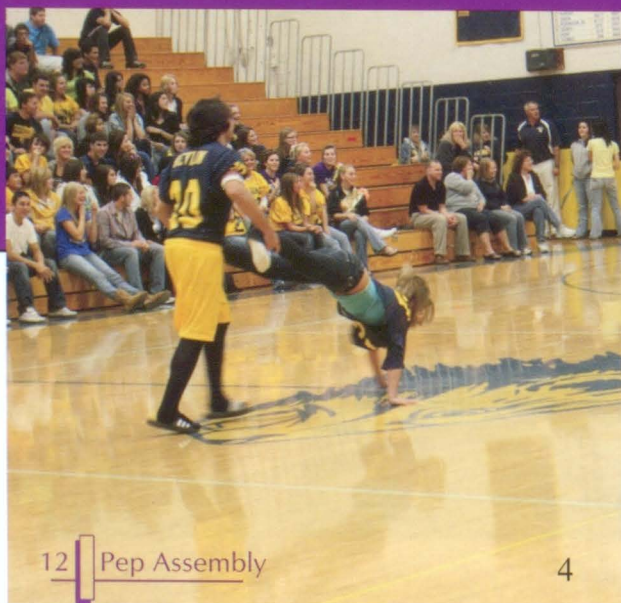
1. Michael Biland (9) waits as Amanda DeGregory (11) clears the bar. "I love doing the limbo. I do it every year in the assembly. It makes me feel great to participate. I can't wait to do it next year so I won't lose to Josh Walker (12)," said Degregory (11).

2. Teachers always take a big part in the pep rally. Ms. Megan Hinkle and Mr. John Highstreet were voted Mr. and Mrs. Muskrat. "I was surprised that I was voted queen. I really enjoyed walking across the football field during halftime," said Hinkle.

3. Always a loud competition, the chocolate kiss game always gets the crowd riled up. "The pie was really wet and smelled weird. I didn't really want to put my face in it, but I did anyway. I'm glad I did well in the event. It was difficult to get all of the chocolates, but I was satisfied with how I did," said Max Trombly (12).

4. "It was really exciting and I had a good time through the entire relay race. Savannah Shippert (11) and I worked really hard. If I had another chance to do it over again I would so we could smoke Mr. Cassidy and Mr. Kiehler," said Mickey Devlin (11).

5. "It felt weird having peanut butter all over my face. I hated the sticky mess, but I would do it again," said Alexa Migliore (9) while Casey Hinkle (9) and Rachael Moreton (9) threw popcorn at her.



"Show class, have pride,
and display character.
If you do, winning
takes care of itself."
-Paul Bryant

Battle For Class Pride



Student Council faced an additional challenge this year with Mrs. Miehelle Landrum's absence. Email and text messages helped the officers plan new and different activities that proved to be exciting and interesting for the spirited students in the bleachers during the assembly to watch and participate in.

Muskrats still tumbled, rumbled and rolled into the gymnasium to witness another pep assembly. "I love the pep assembly," said freshman Sam Zakalowski. "It's the best part about spirit week." Most of the students seem to enjoy the activities that take place at the assembly. Laughter fills the noisy gym as the many games, including the peanut butter game, limbo and the relay race take place. "The best part about the relay race was when I got to pie Morgan Rorah in the face," said sophomore Will Emrick.

The chocolate kisses game was also a big hit. In the game each player had a cream filled pie and had to dig out all of the hidden chocolates. "It made me feel great to participate with my classmates," said senior Jon Stubbs.



1. Senior banner is a tradition here at AHS. Each year the seniors students create a big banner having every senior sign it. The banner is part of the annual pep assembly, showing off all those who have worked hard to earn their spot.

2. As Trace Petrovich (10) smears peanut butter over Colton Wirgau's (10) face, Wirgau reconsiders signing up for the sticky game. "The Peanut Butter game was great. It was sticky and smelled like olive oil. The best part was when I got to wash it off my face," said Wirgau.

3. Having been pined in the face to the rousing cheers of the Algonac student body, Mr. Brady Palmer said, "Mrs. Cheryl Scharnweber was friendlier than I thought she'd be. I would definitely do it again. I love being a part of the annual pep assembly."

"Life is not about waiting
the storms to pass, it's
about learning how to
dance in the rain."
-Vivian Greene

Rain, Rain Go Away

Hopeful students awaited the parade, praying the rain will stop. Just as the students approached the streets for the parade, the rain turned into sunlight. With a theme of Around the World, each class designed homemade floats as a city of their choice. The seniors replicated Tokyo, juniors sculpted Egypt, sophomores created Las Vegas and freshmen designed Hollywood. Being one of the judges, Mr. Jim Baker said, "All the classes were very creative in their float's designs."

While the floats were an important part of the parade, focus was also on the homecoming court riding on the River Queen. Ben Balfour, Wei Nong, Tyler Peters, Kenny Guay, Doug Foster, Nate Smith, John Hintzman, Dominick Mayle, and Matt Kloeffer represented the senior boys. The girls were: Megan Fisher, Sarah McIntosh, Ally Molletti, Kaylin Hurlburt, Jessica Kilgore, Brittany Greer, Cori Champagne, Katie Kastler, and Stacy Rix.

After the parade, the court went to the football game, walked across the 50 yard line and waited in anticipation for the crowning of King and Queen. Matt Kloeffer was crowned King and Kaylin Hurlburt was crowned Queen. "I felt like Aladdin on a magic carpet soaring through the 'swamp' of Algonac," Kloeffer said. While the rain caused many complications, nothing could stop the enthusiasm of homecoming.



1. Rowdy football players reversed roles and cheered on the fans before the big game against Capac.
2. Not only did they have to battle rain, but freshmen also learned about float competition while building their version on Hollywood.
3. "We were fortunate the rain stopped in time, making it an unforgettable parade," said Chelsey Hart (10). Skipping through the puddles with Hart were Amanda Stambaugh (10), Morgan Rorah (10), and Michaela Schippert (10).



1. Taking first place, seniors led the way with their interpretation of visiting Tokyo. "It was a lot of work folding all of the boxes for the buildings, but the float turned out amazing," said Ally Molletti (12).
2. "There was a lot of good competition this year. I didn't think I was going to win," said Queen Kaylin Hurlburt (12) after the crowning with King Matt Kloeffer (12).

3. **Homecoming Class Representatives:** Stacy Rix, Doug Foster, Megan Fisher, Wei Nong, Jessica Kilgore, Matt Kloeffer, Brittany Greer, Ben Balfour, Katie Kastler, Tyler Peters, Sarah McIntosh, Dominic Mayle, Ally Molletti, John Hintzman, Kaylin Hurlburt, Nate Smith, and Cori Champagne. Homecoming court met up at the boardwalk for a group picture. "I'll miss representing my school and hometown," said Doug Foster (12).

4. Marching next to their float, the juniors proudly showed off their Egypt. "The parade was good, even though the weather wasn't the best," said Savannah Schippert (11) standing with Ashley Edwards (11) and Paige Sadlowski (11).

5. In preparations for the parade the band had to warm up their instruments and cover themselves up in ponchos due to the rain.



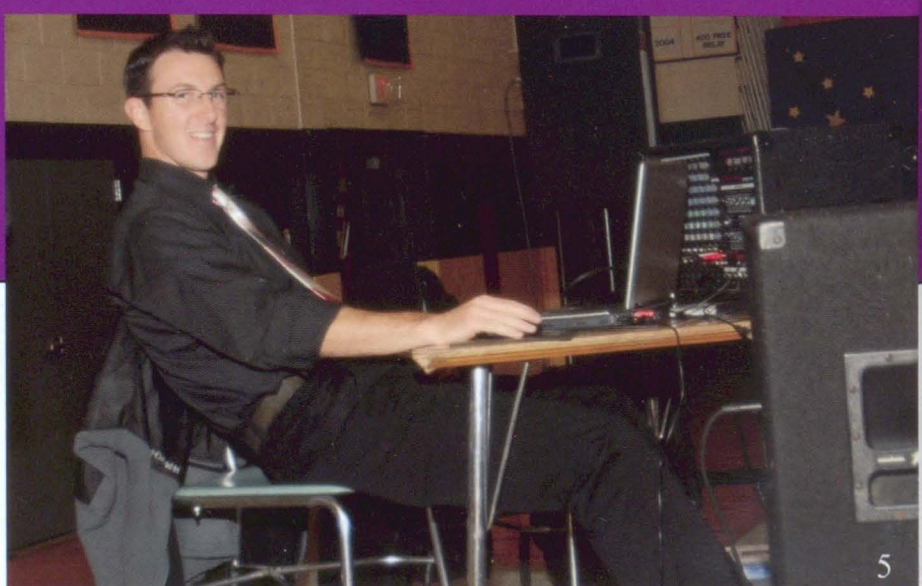
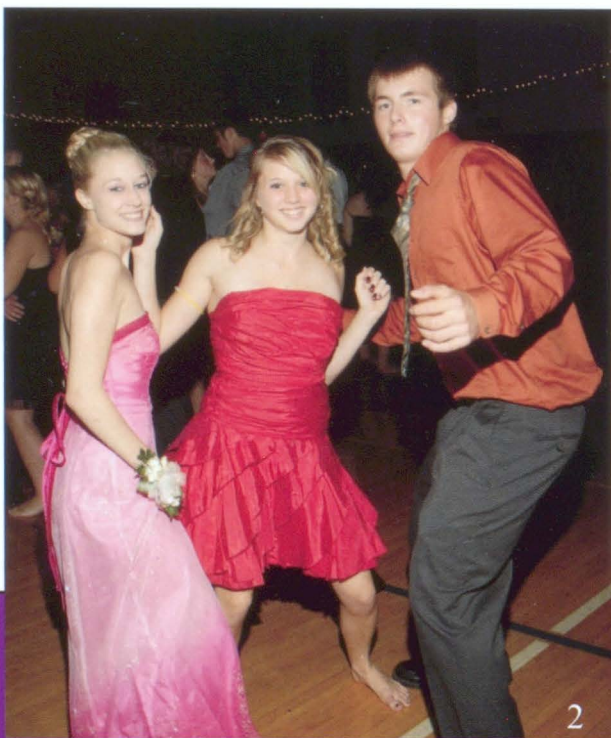
1. With the gym transformed into a dance floor, Amelia Wilson (9), Jacquelyn Saums (9), Ashley Jones (9), Mike Schutt (10), and Kassi Aures (9) spend the evening getting into the beat of the music.

2. Finding space on the dance floor was at times a challenge as Dawn Arneil (12), Casey Combs (10), and Eric Heim (12) find the only open area near the tables to jump around.

3. At their last homecoming dance, Brianne Ditto (12), Wei Nong (12), Sarah LaPlante (12), Katie Casper (12), and Nicole Cober (12), control the dance floor. Ditto said, "I had an amazing time and I'm sad that it was my last one. Homecoming is always one of the best times during the year."

4. "It's senior year! Why not go out with a bang?" said Ashleigh Smith (12) standing out, dancing in front of classmates and best friends alike.

5. Teacher by day, DJ by night, Mr. Craig Cassady kept the dance floor jumping with a combination of all types of popular music. "DJing the dance is the most fun when I play the group dance songs," said Cassady.



"To watch us
dance is to hear
our hearts speak."
-Hopi Indian Saying

Jump Up and Dance

With over 450 people packed into the gym showing off dance skills, Homecoming 2009 was another success. This night is more than just 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. it is one of the most exciting nights of the year.

For some, preparing started the first day of school. Important tasks were completed including collecting music suggestions, creating a theme, and putting decorations up. Around nine in the morning on October third, girls squeezed in their last chance to tan and arrived at hair and nail appointments.

At exactly 7:30 p.m. the first beat dropped with DJ Craig Cassady presiding. Muskrats packed the dance floor to get a chance to dance. "Old school and older rap bring most kids to the dance floor," said Cassady. Senior Kenny Guay said, "I like getting dressed up in a suit, seeing girls in their nice dresses and dancing to all of the music with my friends."

During the next four hours, students were up having a good time dancing, taking pictures, laughing with friends, and making memories. Sophomore Deanna Clemons said, "I loved the music. It was easy to dance to and it really pumped me up!"



1. Varsity cheerleaders take center stage as they gather in front of the crowd to do their pep assembly dance to "Down" by Jay Sean.
2. Camera flashes add to the "Around the World" theme, as Chelsie Warwick (10) and Shelby Westergaard (10) pose for one of the many photo opportunities.
3. With the dance in full swing, AJ Thiemkey and Sam Shearer (10) squeeze into the center of the dance floor and dance the night away.

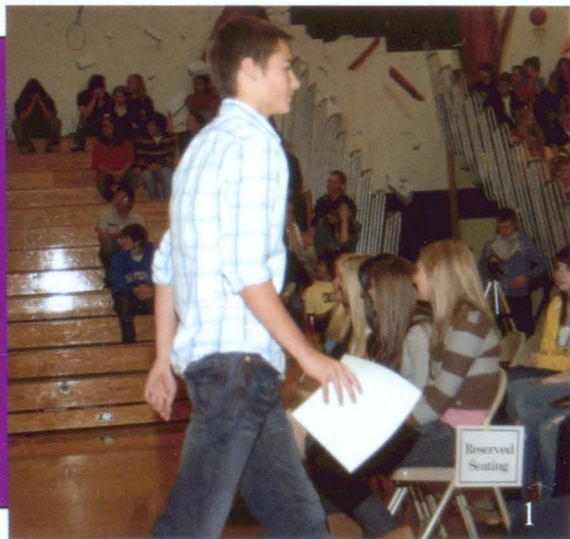
"The reward of
a thing well done is
to have done it."
- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Motivation is Key

Whatever the source of motivation might be, it surely leads to success. Principal Brent Case's message has been heard. He hopes that the result of having the Academic Achievement Awards Ceremony in the fall will motivate students to set high goals for themselves. With more students challenging themselves this year, new possibilities will come into view.

Over the years, many students continue to get recognized and honored for their achievements, including the students who also participate in other clubs and sports while maintaining a GPA average of 3.5 or higher in their four core classes. "I like to focus on one thing at a time. I focus on practices and games, then when I get home, I focus on school," said sophomore Kyle Mikolowski. Recognizing these students is of big importance providing inspiration for others.. Certificates, Letters and Lamp of Learning pins are received by students.

Individual core academic area awards are also given out. Senior Katya Chaykovskaya, from the Ukraine, was awarded the Excellence in English Award and proved that hard work pays off.



1. Head held high, Joshua Rivard (12) strides back to his seat with his Excellence in Biological Science award in hand.

2. "People should pay more attention to their native language, it might bear pleasant surprises," said Katya Chaykovskaya (12) after receiving her Excellence in English Award.

3. Jonathan Mitchell (12) shakes hands with Mrs. Stephanie Urban as he receives the Excellence in Biological Science Award.

4. Hannah Schmidt (11) crosses the gym stopping to accept her letter and continues on to join her classmates.





1. Mrs. Stephanie Urban proudly presents the Excellence in Biological Science Award to two students, Joshua Rivard (12) and Jonathan Mitchell (12), who excelled in Advanced Placement Biology.

2. Being honored for her grade point average of a 3.5 or higher for a continuous three years, Carolyn Goodall (12) receives her Lamp of Learning pin.

3. In his second year receiving an award, Austin Rust (11) reaches for his Letter and gladly accepts it.

4. **Lamp of Learning Recipients:** Front row: Chelsey Cook, Stacy Rix, Megan Fisher, Ronald Schroeder, Jonathan Stubbs, Clinton Neuner Back row: Katerina Chaykovska, Joshua Rivard, Elizabeth Darling, Brooke Ruhlman, Carolyn Goodall, Kaylin Hurlburt, Kaitlyn Kastler, Harmony Lehotsky



5. Knowing of the many difficulties that today's high schoolers may face upon graduation, Mr. Brent Case speaks about the importance of getting a good education and striving to succeed to students and parents.

6. Michael Kozel (10) accepts his certificate with a smile before going to join his classmates, who also received certificates.

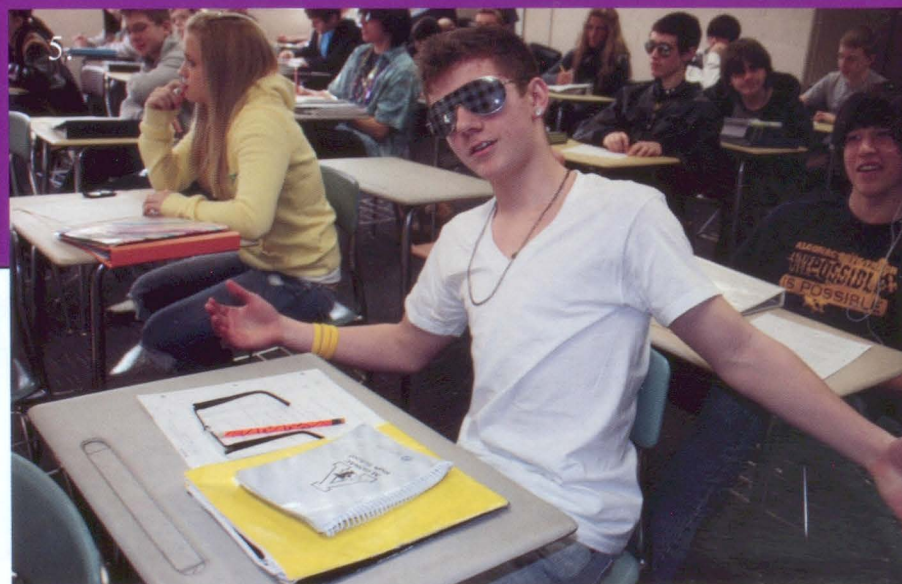
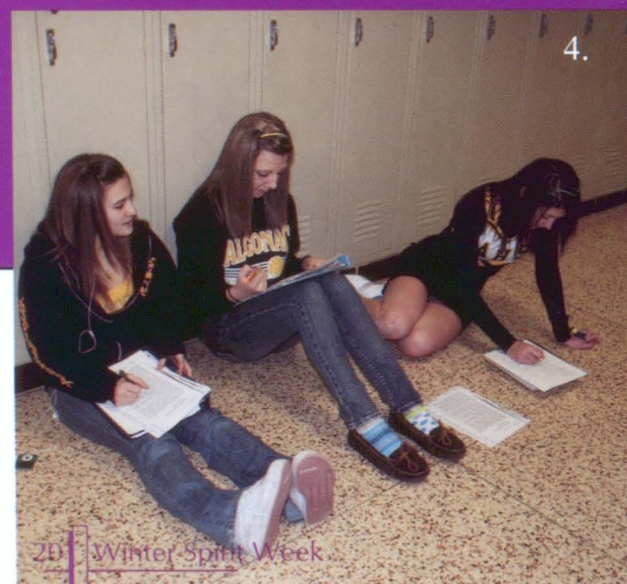
1. Showing off her school spirit, Mrs. Minna Turrell brings back her pom-poms and school apparel to gain points for the teachers.

2. Dressing up as a cowgirl, Ricci Turner (11) comes to school all decked out for Farmer Day, one of the most popular days.

3. Posing as Hermione Granger from *Harry Potter*, Megan Fisher (12) mixes up a potion for her Chemistry class, just like a true Hogwarts student.

4. As Valarie Cornish (9), Melissa Lyon (9), and Kelly Schultz (9) work on homework in the hall, they show off their school colors on Blue and Gold Day.

5. Straight from the Jersey Shore is Colton Wirgau (10) as Mike "The Situation" on Movie/Famous Character Day.



"People rarely succeed
unless they have fun in
what they are doing."
-Dale Carnegie

Liveliness heats up the Winter

Student Council came up with the idea of having a Winter Spirit Week to keep enthusiasm alive. This spirit week helps build excitement during the slump that happens during the middle of the year.

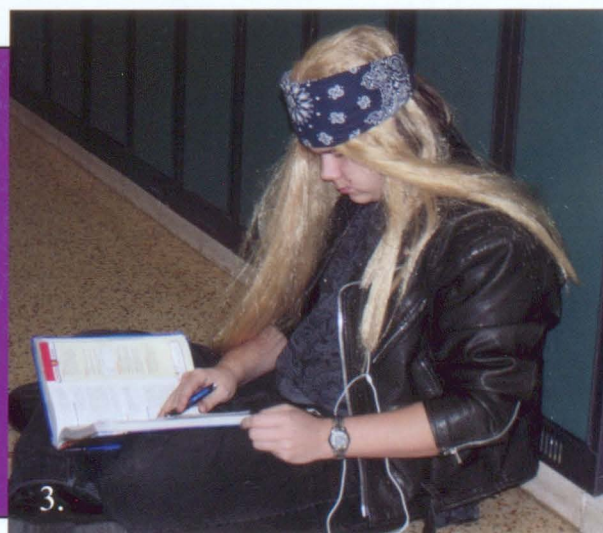
Starting off the week was Movie Character/Famous Character Day, followed by Mix-Match Day, Farmer Day, Occupational Day, and ending with Blue and Gold day students dressed up each day.. Sophomore Travis Hernden said, "I love being able to dress up with a crazy style because it brings out the crazy in me."

Having two spirit weeks requires many fresh ideas for spirit days, which can add some frustration to Student Council representatives. "I would have changed every day but blue and gold day. That's a classic. We needed new days though," said senior Megan Fisher.

"I like the winter spirit week more because more people get dressed up," said sophomore Joe Bonam. School spirit brings a lot of encouragement into the life of the students. Senior Kenny Guay said, "My favorite thing about spirit week is I get to dress up and see my friends and teachers dress up as well."



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1. Dressed as a soldier on Occupation Day, Amanda Stambaugh (10) reaches in her locker to get her binders for her next class.

2. Wearing bright colors, Whitney Angers (11) and Robin Rogers (11) complete their work in Government, showing off their school spirit for Mix-Match Day.

3. Dressed up as a rock star, Alan Milenbaugh (9) finishes his World History assignment for Mr. Craig Cassady's class in the hallway.

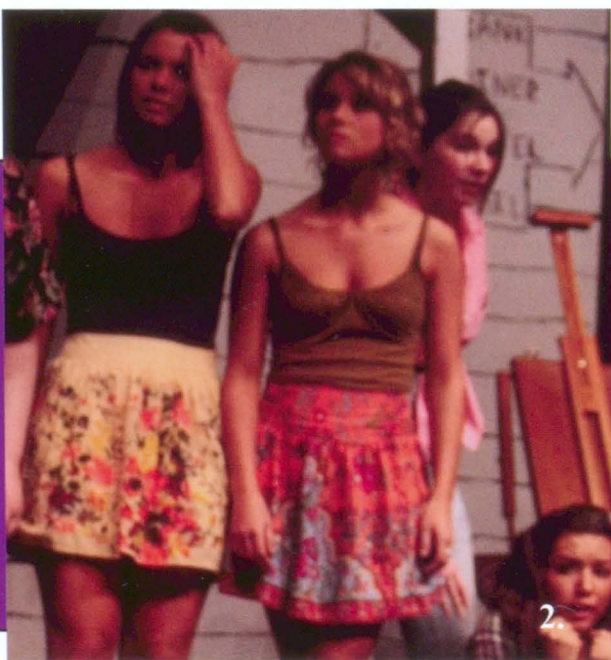
"Through humor, you can soften some of the worst blows that life delivers. And once you find laughter, no matter how painful your situation might be, you can survive it."

-Bill Cosby

Dramatically Humorous

One of the more exciting sides of high school is drama. When students take drama they are given the opportunity to have a little fun, learn how to act and get comfortable in front of a crowd. Mr. Brady Palmer really knows how to make it an enjoyable class for everyone. Students work with Mr. Palmer all year long to improve their acting abilities so that twice a year they can show off their new-found abilities and perform for the Algonac community.

In the spring, the drama class performed a humorous play called *Cactus Pass*. The play was a twist to the famous story *Romeo and Juliet*, only this story was in western form. Headline acts included seniors Cassandra Paulun and Ryan Belisle, showing the romantic part of the script. Dominic Moscone also had a large roll in the show. "Dominic really played a big time city man quite well," said senior Nicole Jacks. *Cactus Pass* showed for two nights, giving the Algonac community the chance to get involved in entertainment outside of "movie" limits.



1. Ryan Belisle (12) and Cassie Paulun (12) start off the setting of *Cactus Pass* with a secret meeting because they are not allowed to be together.

2. Jessica Kilgore (12) and Abby Pak (12) call the entire town to a meeting. "It was easy to perform next to Abby," said Kilgore.

3. The two slackers of *Cactus Pass*, Jonathan Stubbs (12) and Jordan Greene (12) watch the sheriff Craig Suppon (12) and the deputy Dominick Mayle (12) shake hands.





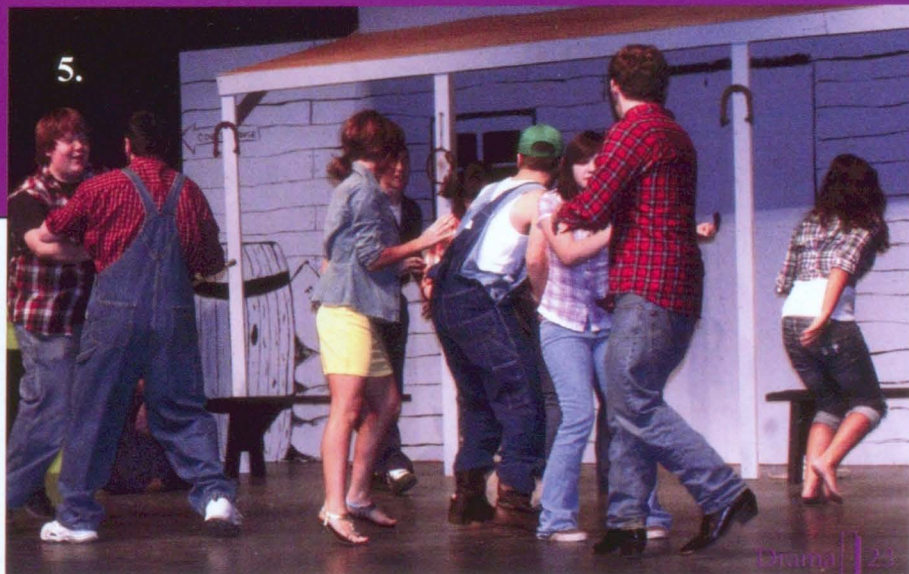
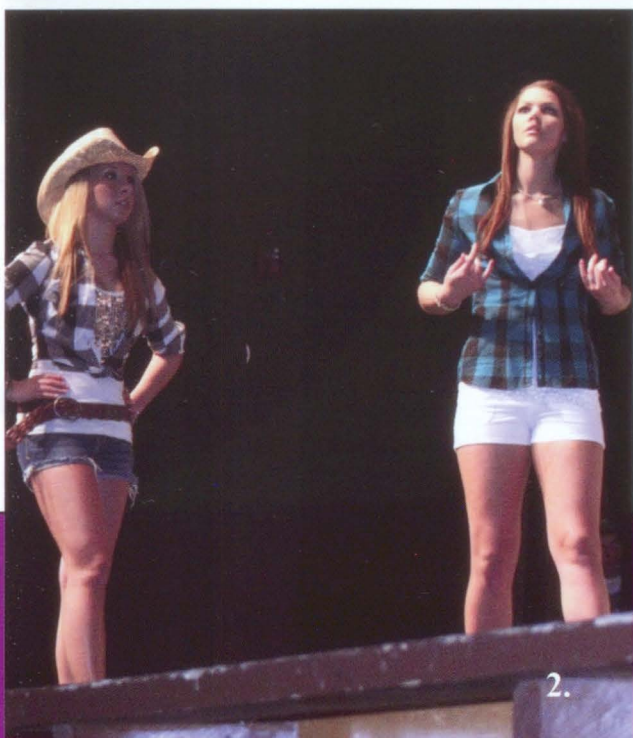
1. Having a Cactus Pass city meeting was taken very seriously between the town sheriff played by Craig Suppon (12) and the head of the rich family played by Dominic Moscone (12).

2. Mother Heidi Highstreet (11) and daughter Savannah Schippert (11) hold a family meeting, discussing how to get out of the town.

3. **Drama:** Kenny Guay, Nathan Sears, Austin Wirgau, Dominick Mayle, Brian Coughlin, Gordan Marcinkoske, James Mihalich, Heidi Highstreet, Ruth Irish, Brittany Vernier, Dominic Moscone, Savannah Schippert, Brian Anger, Caitlin LaLonde, Jessica Kilgore, Abby Pak, John Stubbs, Craig Suppon, Jordan Greene, Ryan Belisle, Cassandra Paulun. *Not Photographed:* Ashley Barnett, Joanne Brobst, William Churchill, Tamanique Griffin, Jonathan Grimshaw, Hannah Gryka, Kyle LaParl, Brooke Lawrence, Kristen Swinson, Ricci Turner.

4. Families take turns trying to call the pig played by Brooke Lawrence (12), while the peacemaker Kristen Swinson (12) watches.

5. The two opposing families of Cactus Pass rumble. Photographed people include: Cassandra Paulun, Bryan Anger, Gordan Marcinkoske, Joanne Brobst, Ryan Belisle.



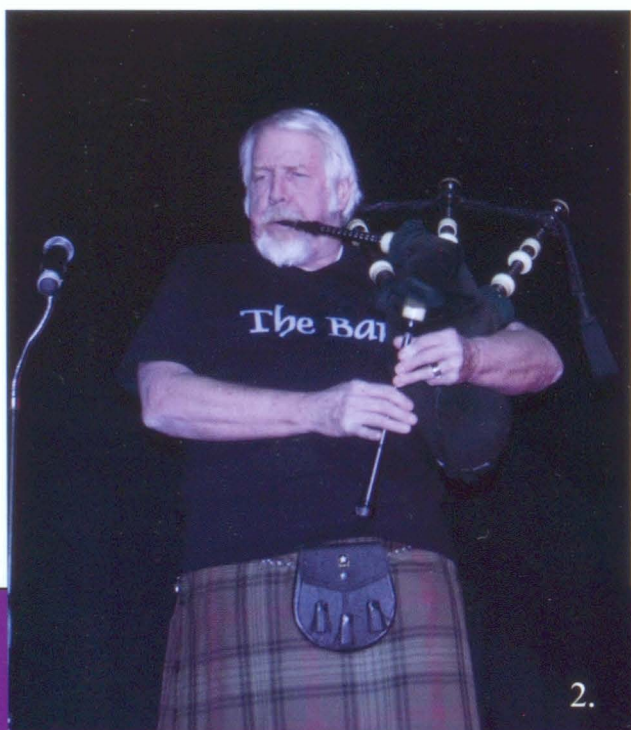
1. As nerves set in, Austin Wirgau (11), Colton Wirgau (10) and Will Churchill (12) practice back stage before the show.

2. Making a surprise performance, substitute teacher Mr. Krueger, performs at the talent show for the first time, and blows everyone away on the bag pipes.

3. Randy Kardas (10) has many musical talents. He displays his skills on percussion as he plays to "The Whole Story" by Take Cover story" later followed by a performance on the piano.

4. Running the show, girls track members Kaylin Hurlburt (12) and Carolyn Goodall (12) announce the winners of the 2010 talent show.

5. Shaun Keigley (12) brings originality to the stage with his own beat-box routine. "I was a little nervous to perform something of my own, but once I actually got on stage I felt better," said Keigley.



"Put yourself on view.
This brings your talent to light."
- Baltasar Gracian

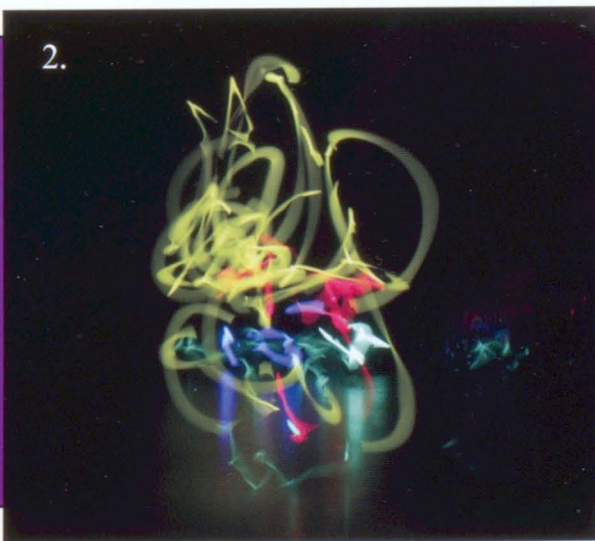
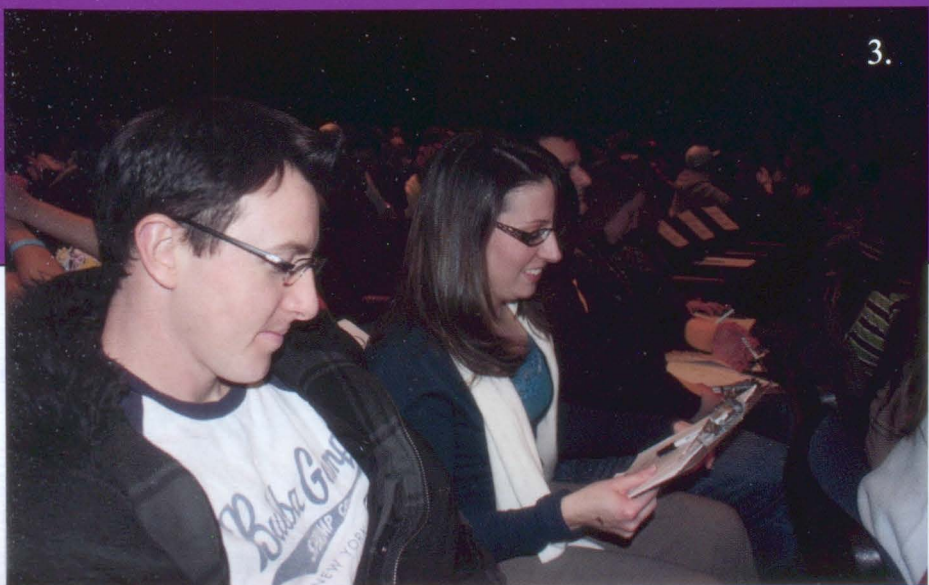
Make it your Night



With the renovations of the middle school auditorium now complete, high school students of all grades showed off their talents on February 24th. Each year the talent show provides an opportunity for freshmen to become known, and seniors to go out with a bang. The categories range from lip sync, to comedy, dancing, bands, singing and instrumentals. This year's judges were Ms. Stephanie Urban, Ms. Lauren Wummel, Mrs. Jennifer Brutyn, Mr. Craig Cassady, Mr. Keith Zimmerman and special guest, Ms. Megan Hinkle. With 400 dollars in cash prizes on the line, the competition was stiff.

New acts lit up the stage, including freshman Valerie Cornish and senior Shaun Keigley. They amazed the audience with their excellent display of talent. Cornish performed an accoustic version of *Best Day* by singer Taylor Swift while playing the guitar. Her performance won best in show. Keigley gave a unique beat-box performance that he composed himself.

Taking the stage once again, junior Austin Wirgau and sophomore Colton Wirgau performed an accoustic version of "Down" by Jay Sean. Chris Borowy (11) shined once again with his creative glow stick routine. Many other acts took the stage and displayed their wide range of talents. From the looks of this year's show, next year has the promise of many more



1. For Valerie Cornish (9) it was a successful night, winning best in show for her first performance.
2. Taking the stage for the second time, Chris Borowy (11) shows off his unique glow stick routine to the catchy beat of "Everytime We Touch" by Cascada.
3. With over \$400 in prizes on the line, Mr. Craig Cassady and Ms. Lauren Wummel take time to ensure they score each performance as fairly as possible.

"The measure of life
is not its duration
but its donation"
-Peter Marshall

It's all About Giving Back

Service, character, leadership, and scholarship are the four columns of the National Honor Society. Helping the community and people is what National Honor Society members do best.

Some members are also good at stabbing one another, as is the case with the blood drive. Spilling blood into bags to give to other people. In total, 13 gallons of blood were given, 48 liters.

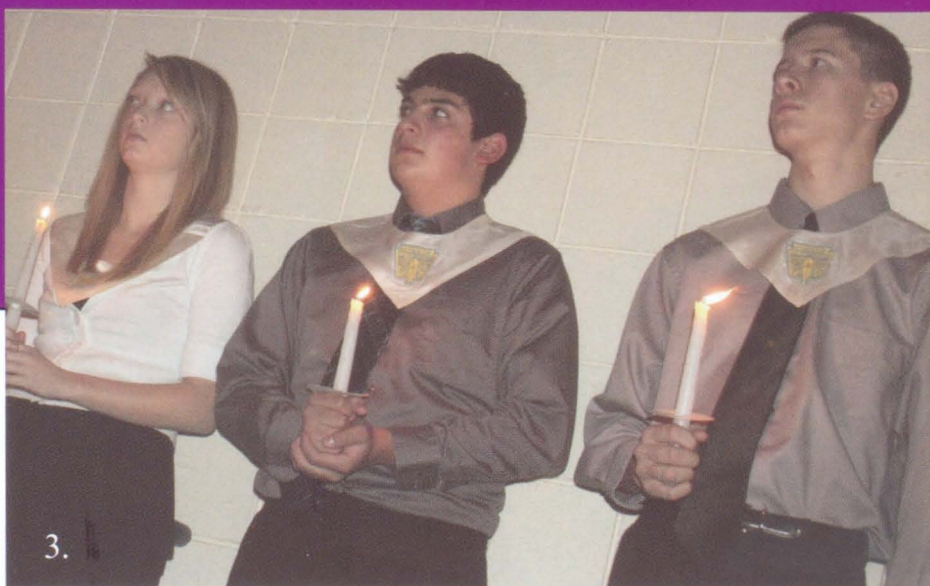
Other members are better at baking goods. In front of the basketball games one could have seen National Honor Society members selling cupcakes, cookies, cake, or any other baked goods to game-goers. "It feels good to give a helping hand," said junior Josh Bush.

Another fundraiser National Honor Society had was the can and bottle drive where they asked for recyclable cans and bottles from Kroger shoppers and households in Algonac. Thanks to Michigan's high returnable rate, the National Honor Society members are able to raise hundreds of dollars. "I was a bit hesitant to go door to door asking for returnables, but it was for a good cause, so I had to do it," said senior Megan Fisher.

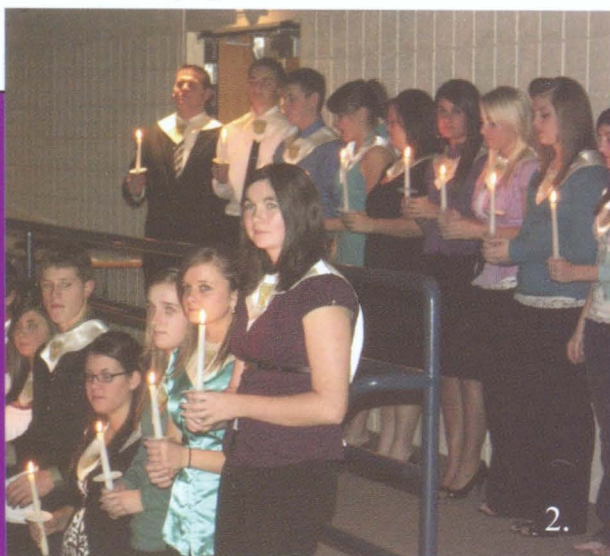
National Honor Society members can be seen throughout the town throughout the entire school year, helping out the citizens of Algonac with some household needs, like shoveling a driveway; or raising money to help out the cause of finding cancer or those in need of a helping hand.



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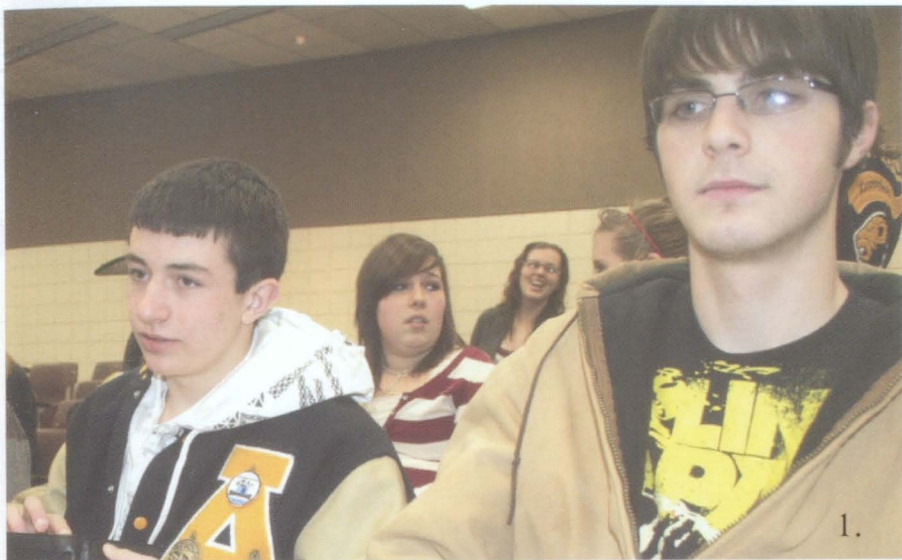


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1. Janine Lewandoski (11) and Brian DiMaggio (11) look over the agenda for the National Honor Society meeting held once a month.

2. Awaiting the end of the ceremony, the newly inducted members on the lower level are watched over by the senior members.

3. Lauren Baxter (11), Bobby Boyd (11), and Josh Bush (11) hold their candles, listening to their new advisor Mr. Jamie Thiede speak about the character of a National Honor Society member.

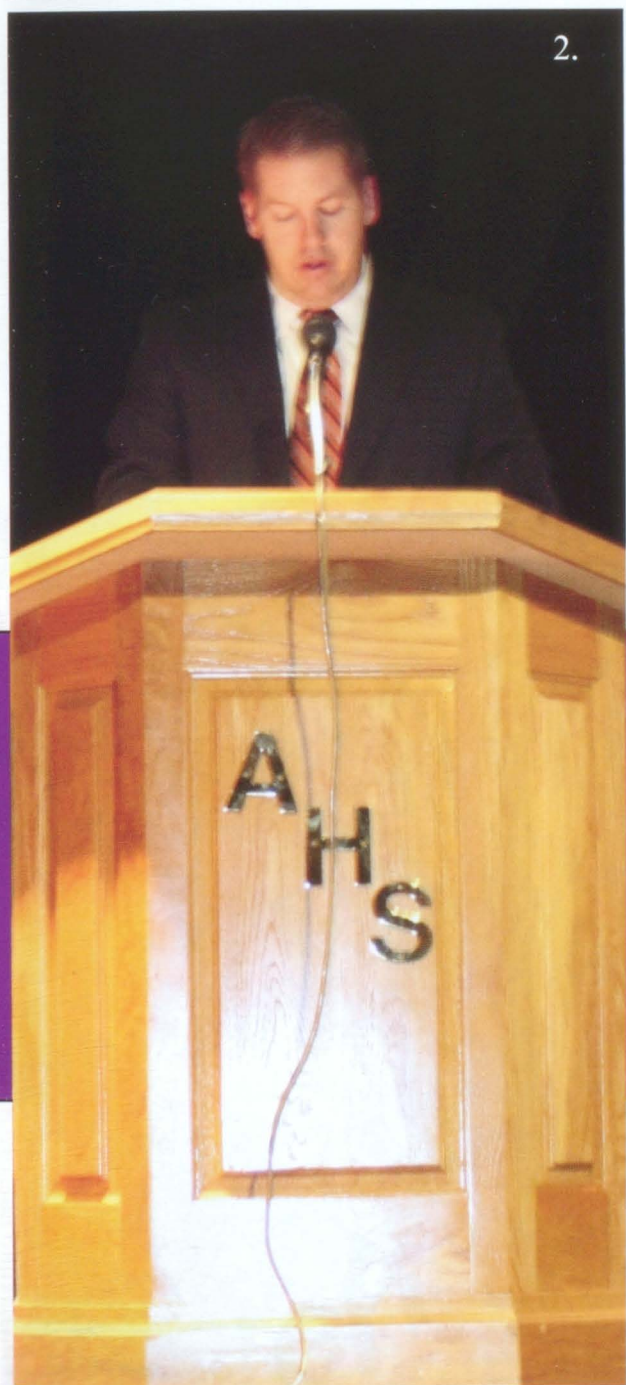


1. Tyler Uhl (11) and Chris Chockley (11) listen to an idea for fundraising while at a National Honor Society meeting. "We do a lot of fundraisers which is pretty sweet to be helping out. It's a lot of work though," said Chockley.

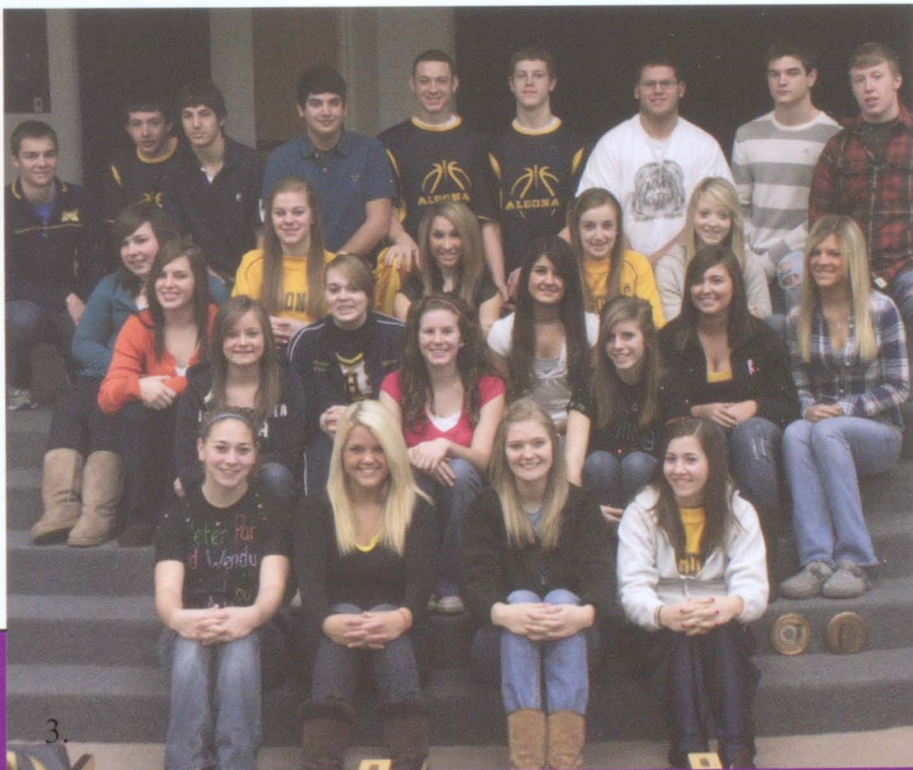
2. National Honor Society Advisor Mr. Jamie Thiede reads his opening thoughts at the National Honor Society Induction Ceremony. As the new advisor, Thiede had to learn all the ins-and-outs of the National Honor Society from former advisor, Rachelle Workman.

3. **National Honor Society:** Front Row: Elizabeth Darling, Kaylin Hurlburt, Brooke Ruhlman, Kaitlyn Kastler; Second Row: Sarah Kruczynski, Megan Fisher, Lauren Fisher; Third Row: Kristin Schultz, Melissa Ahlgren, Stacy Rix, Ally Molletti, Carolyn Goodall; Fourth Row: Dana Zielinski, Hannah Schmidt, Savannah Schippert, Janine Lewandoski, Lauren Baxter; Back Row: Josh Rivard, Tyler Uhl, Austin Rust, Bobby Boyd, Brian DiMaggio, Patrick Mytinger, Mike Marotta, John Hintzman, Craig Suppon

Austin Rust (11) lights his candle and is officially inducted a member of the National Honor Society. All of the members, new and old, had to light their candles as a part of the induction ceremony.



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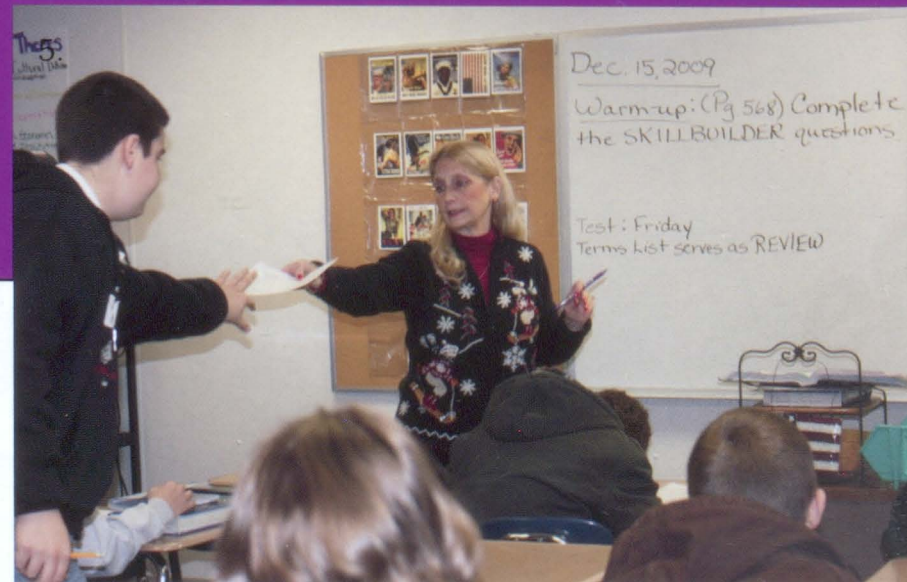
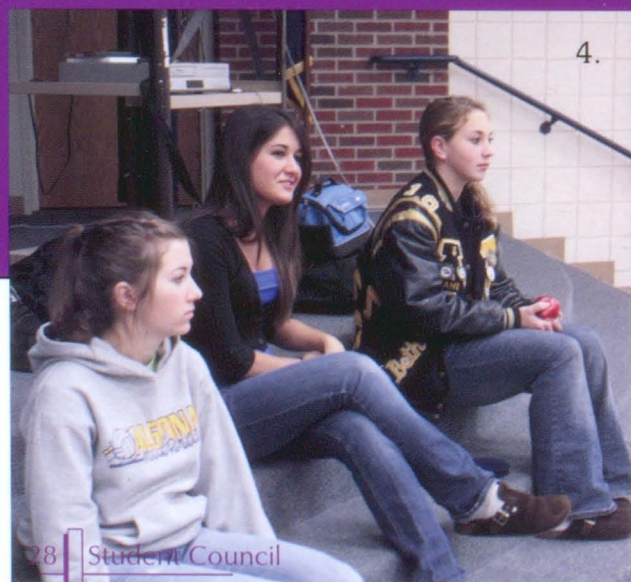
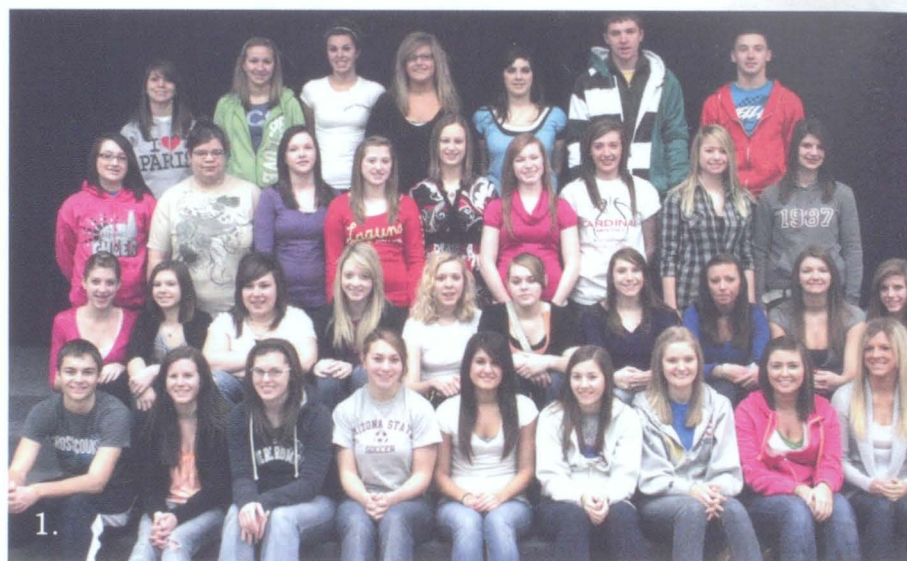
1. **Student Council:** *Front Row:* Josh Rivard, Megan Fisher, Kristin Schultz, Elizabeth Darling, Stacy Rix, Katie Kastler, Brooke Ruhlman, Ally Molletti, Carolyn Goodall; *Second Row:* Kara Gardner, Marissa Stegman, Dana Zielinski, Lauren Baxter, Julie Ruemenapp, Melissa Ahlgren, Katie Smith, Ashley Edwards, Paige Sadlowski, Lauren Fisher; *Third Row:* Allie Lutzky, Jamie Keever, Anna Megel, Lauren Galdys, Amanda Stambaugh, Chelsey Hart, Morgan Rorah, Klaudia Watts, Maria Winquest; *Back Row:* Rachel Winquest, Meredith Wykowski, Robin Rogers, Shelby Ross, Samantha Tiano, Troy Wykowski, Nick Chaney

2. Starting something new, Lauren Fisher (11) generously gives teacher Ms. Stephanie Urban a pine cone turkey for Thanksgiving.

3. Stepping up to the stage, Katie Smith (11) and Emily Henry (11) offer their Christmas stocking stuffers in hope that it will make a local child's Christmas an unforgettable one.

4. President Stacy Rix (12) speaks to the Student Council members about the upcoming events such as the winter spirit week. Vice President Katie Kastler (12) and Secretary Elizabeth Darling (12) also sit by her side to voice their opinions.

5. Students aren't the only ones participating in the school events. Teacher Mrs. Denise Gregg shows off her spirit by wearing her Christmas sweater while passing out the day's assignment to Brandon Bowser (10).



"Leadership is practiced
not so much in words as
in attitude and in actions"
- Harold S. Geneen

Speak Up and Stand Out

While walking the halls, there are many new aspects that enhance school spirit. By speaking up, Student Council introduced new ideas and brought back old traditions. With the help of Student Council, homecoming and spirit week were unforgettable events. The addition of decorations, such as a "Homecoming 2009" sign in the hallway, was a new highlight of homecoming. New spirit week days were also announced for the 2009 Homecoming spirit week. Movie Character Day was an instant favorite.

"We hope to get students more involved and excited for the school year," said President Stacy Rix. Some activities were based on fun while some were more serious. Student Council decided on encouraging students to wear pink clothing every Wednesday in the month of October to support the fight against breast cancer.

Other ideas included playing Christmas music during passing time the day before Christmas break. Students also got in the holiday spirit by wearing ugly Christmas sweaters the Friday before break. Festive decorations flooded the cafeteria during the holiday seasons. You never know what will arise when you let your voice be heard.



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1. Spreading the love, Meredith Wykowski (9) puts hearts on display in the cafeteria for Valentine's Day. "The new decorations are really eye catching. They brighten up the school," said Wykowski.

2. Speaking out during a meeting, Melissa Ahlgren (11) voices her opinion. "I liked wearing pink on Wednesdays because my grandma has breast cancer and I want to support her," said Ahlgren (11). Samantha Tiano (11) and Julie Ruemenapp (11) smile in agreement.

3. Participating in the winter spirit week, Kendra Frishcosy (12) sports her blue and gold jersey to show her school pride.

"A moment lasts all
of a second, but the
memory lives on forever."
-Anonymous

Welcome to the Future

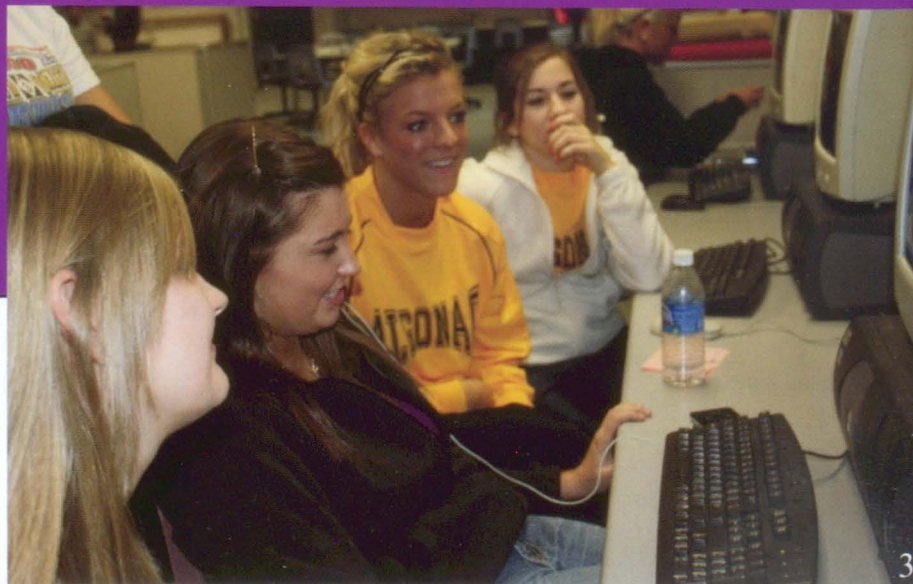
Following years of challenges with computers, the 2010 yearbook is completely online. This brings a need for technological knowledge into the class and taking the book into the digital age, while trying to keep the traditions of the book strong. As Ms. Lauren Wummel starts her second year of yearbook, things are going more smoothly. There have been many changes made from last year including: being more organized, a new software program, and even allowing freshmen into the class. The staff has just six returners, all of whom are editors, and 21 newcomers. Student Life editor, senior Ally Molletti said, "We got a new program, so it took some time to learn how to use it, but overall I think this year's yearbook will be one of the best yet."

With deadlines comes a lot of stress. For the new staff, this meant learning a new program, learning how to write yearbook copy, and finding an interesting feature approach, which was often a challenge. Senior Julia Martin said, "There is a lot more that goes into the yearbook than just pictures. Finding something to write about in your copy, and making it interesting for others to read can be time consuming."

Senior editor, Brooke Ruhlman said, "I like being a main editor because I can get all of my opinions and ideas out in the open, but it's a lot of work and responsibility." Senior editor Carolyn Goodall said, "The goal for this year's book is to keep the theme consistent throughout it. When we chose the theme "have a voice", our aim as editors was to capture as many different people as possible."



1. One of the many responsibilities of the yearbook staff is to make sure that all legal names are documented correctly for graduation diplomas. Senior editor, Brittany Greer helps Ms. Lauren Wummel with this task.
2. Working as a team, Nicole Nader (11) and Ashley Edwards (11) work together on their pages for the junior section of the yearbook.
3. Checking over pages for all of the spreads going out on the first deadline, Brooke Ruhlman (12), Ally Molletti (12), Carolyn Goodall (12), and Katie Kastler (12) make sure everything is perfect.





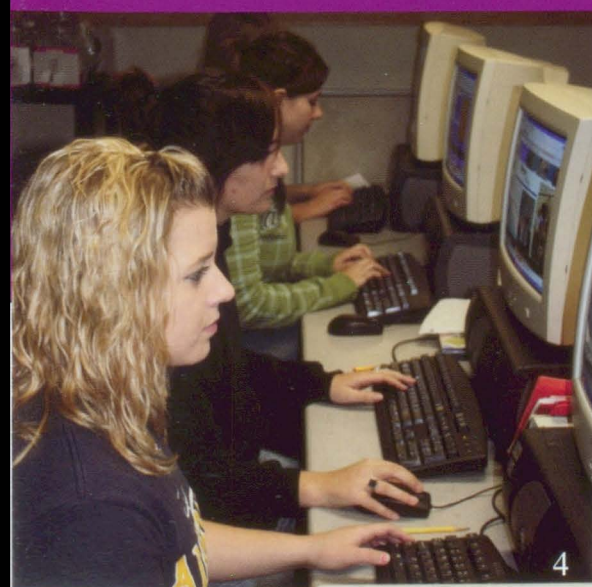
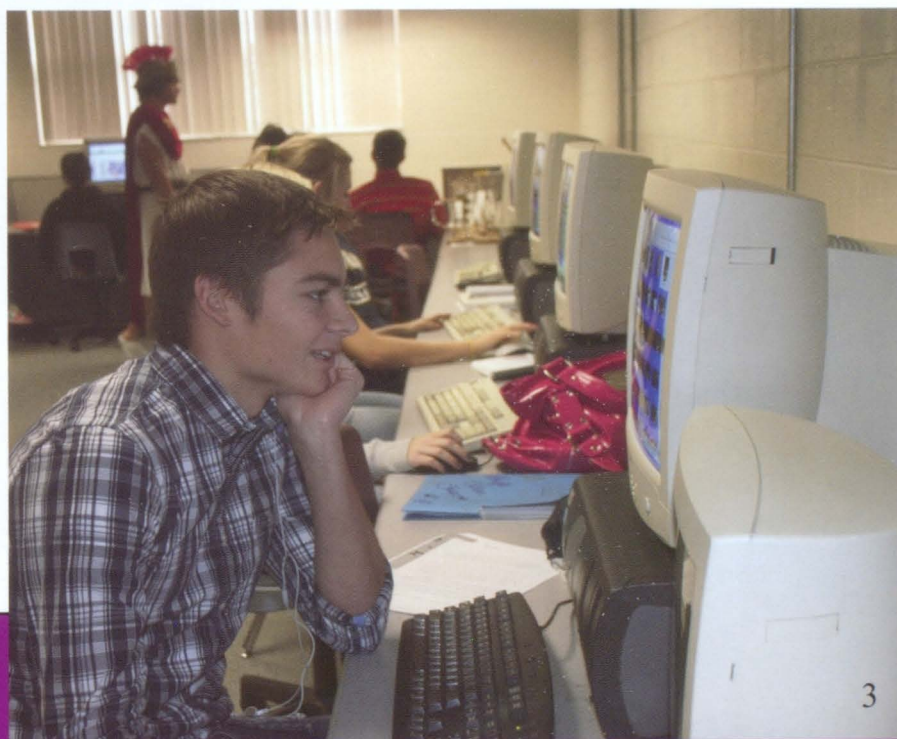
1. Yearbook 2010: Front Row: Josh Rivard Second Row: Lyla Roberts, Sam Green, Ashley Edwards, Julieann Derra, Lauren Galdys, Jennifer Jones. Third Row: Ms. Lauren Wummel, Katie Kastler, Ally Molletti, Brooke Ruhlman, Brittany Greer, Kristin Schultz, Harmony Lehotsky. Back Row: Kyla Loper, Jessica Rose, Ashley Barnett, Nicole Nader, Deanna Clemons, Abby Irwin, Samantha Shearer, Alicia Drew, Julia Martin Not Pictured: Carolyn Goodall, Scott Clark, Alyssa Kozlowski, Sarah McIntosh, Kirsten Seidl

2. Before going to make a deposit, Ally Molletti (12) carefully counts all of the checks that have been turned into Ms. Lauren Wummel.

3. Getting ready for a big deadline, Josh Rivard (12) takes the time to check for any mistakes that might have been made on his page before it gets sent out.

4. With time winding down, Julia Martin (12) puts the last finishing touches on her page to insure perfection.

5. As business ads pile in, Kristin Schultz (12) creates layout designs for each ad making sure the owners of each business that contributed are pleased.



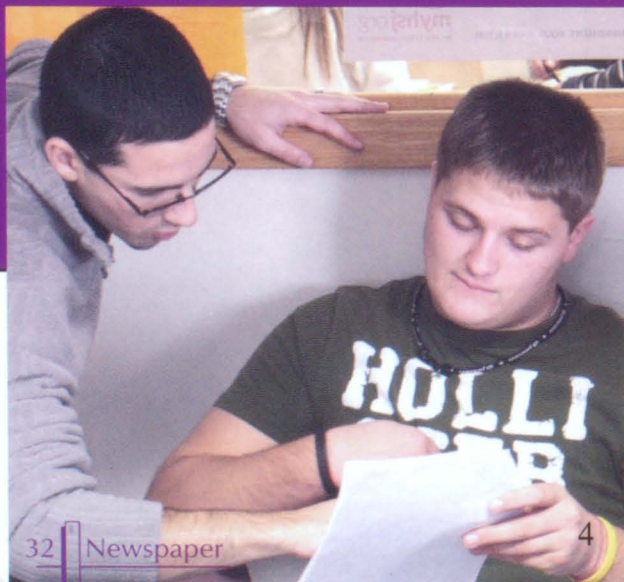
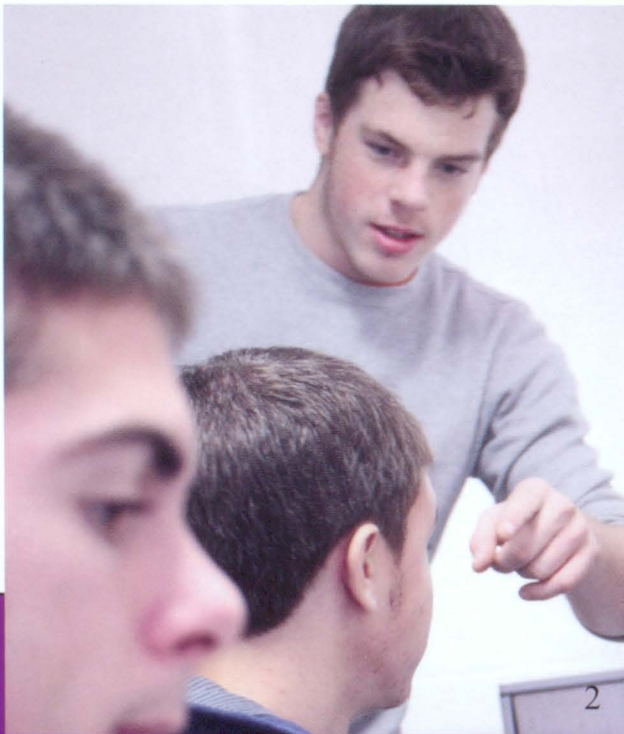
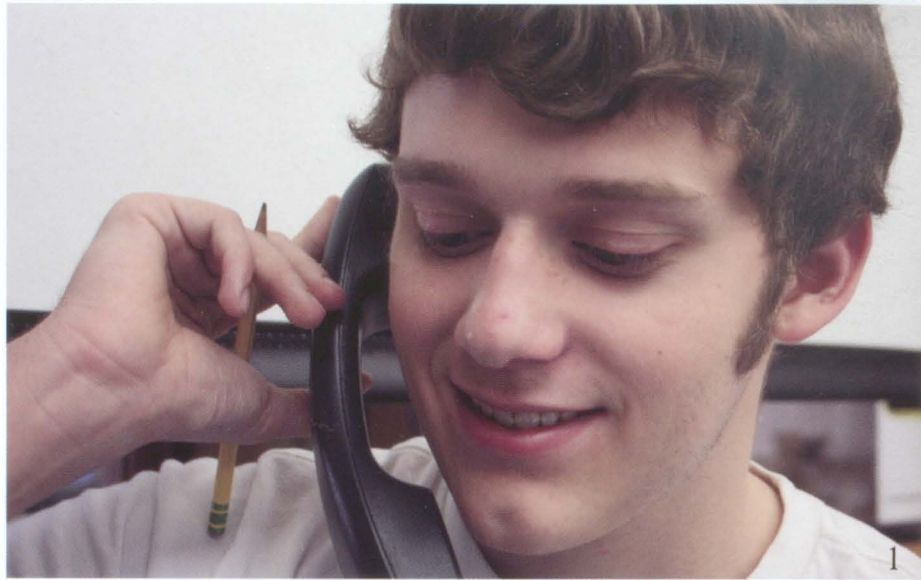
Ryan Belisle (12) calls Millside Elementary to confirm the families for the Staff Santa competition. "There's always something that comes up last minute and the editors have to rush and fix it," said Belisle.

"Many think it's annoying to read so many papers and find the same mistake made several times, but each paper has its own voice and I make sure their voice is heard," said adviser Mr. Chris McKinder as he looks through google docs to edit stories for the *Rat Review*.

Dalton Hagel (12) makes sure that Andrew Ialapi (12) has everything completed on his page. "Being a page editor is a big responsibility, but I get to boss people around," said Hagel.

Receiving his paper back, Nick Milantoni (12) looks it over to make corrections. "It's easy to fix the corrections, but it gets frustrating having to do it again and again," said Milantoni.

Newspaper: *Front Row:* Max Trombly, Mr. Chris McKinder, Mr. Steven Koch, Ryan Belisle; *Second Row:* Melissa Ahlgren, Alivia Siladke, Rachel Schreck, Amy Chockley, Alexis Aslakson, Jacob Syrocki, Austin Wirgau; *Third Row:* Sarah Stegman, Julia Ruemenapp, Autumn Gibson, Chelsey Hart, Caitlin LaLonde, Cody Strassburg, Brian Coughlin, Gordon Marcinkoske; *Fourth Row:* Will Churchill, James Johns, Nick Morris, Dalton Hagel, Craig Suppon, Dylan DuPage, Tommy Moehlman; *Back Row:* Travis Hernden, Patrick Mytinger, Andrew Ialapi, Jon Mitchell, Nick Milantoni, Kyle LaParl



"I love deadlines

and the wooshing

sounds they make."

-Douglas Adams

Their Voice in Print

"We basically have to run the paper like a business. Everything needs to be done, or the business fails," said senior Ryan Belisle. The computer lab transforms from a classroom to an office during fourth hour, and deadline day is the day that makes or breaks the newspaper.

On those particular days, senior editors Ryan Belisle and Max Trombly have to step in and make sure the business runs smoothly. "As you go, the deadlines get more and more strict. Mr. Koch is willing to offer extensions though," said senior Kyle LaParl.

To enforce the word of the editors are advisers Steven Koch and Chris McKinder. "The hardest part of deadlines is making sure each writer's story is shared on google docs, all the errors on each page are fixed, and that their stories are in," Mr. Koch said.

"You have to meet the deadlines and sometimes you can't and that makes things difficult," said senior Alexis Aslakson. If deadlines aren't met then the editors have to come in and save the day, staying after school to finish up the paper.

"Deadline day is a hectic, chaotic day that everyone dreads. After it's over though, it feels good to have completed yet another paper," said Trombly.



"It's always extremely frantic a week before deadline. It's very difficult to make sure everyone's article is the best; we still have yet to have an error free paper," said adviser Mr. Steven Koch. Mr. Koch has to take charge and make sure everyone is performing their duties.

Looking over the paper to ensure everything is done, editors Ryan Belisle (12) and Max Trombly (12) get ready to send their page in. As editors they have a lot of responsibilities regarding the *Rat Review*.

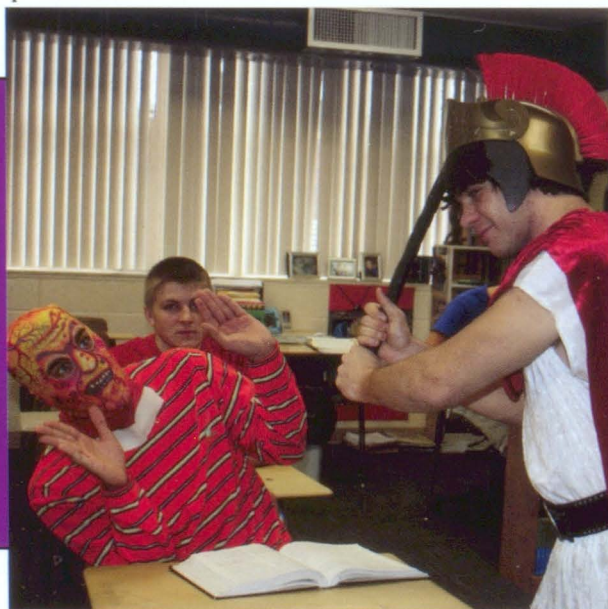
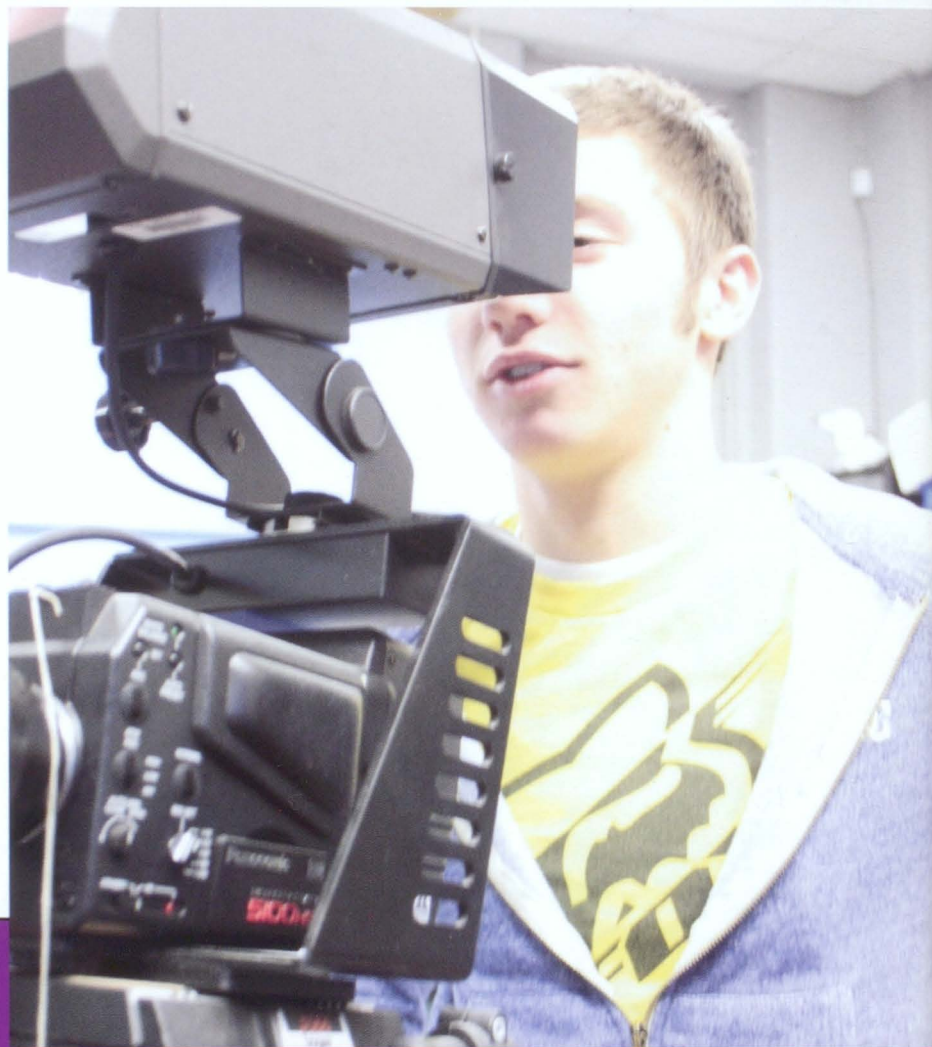
"Technical skill is the
mastery of complexity,
while creativity is the
mastery of simplicity."
-Erik Christopher Zeeman

Lights Camera Action!

Rolling in 3...2...1!" Students in TV Studio and Video Production, taught by Mr. Kurt Welchner, strive to get the best out of the class this semester. Unfortunately, this year, the class will only be one semester due to the changes in administration. Principal, Mr. Brent Case, left Algonac December 1st leaving the Athletic Director, Mr. Jamie Thiede, more responsibility. Welchner is now responsible for those classes. "In the future, we hope to bring back Video Productions and incorporate it into the regular school setting," said Welchner.

TV Studio and Video Productions isn't an easy class. Not only do students have to know how to operate the equipment, they also have to be creative and talented. The class is required to capture special moments occurring throughout the school year. The students design all the recordings for special events hosted throughout the year.

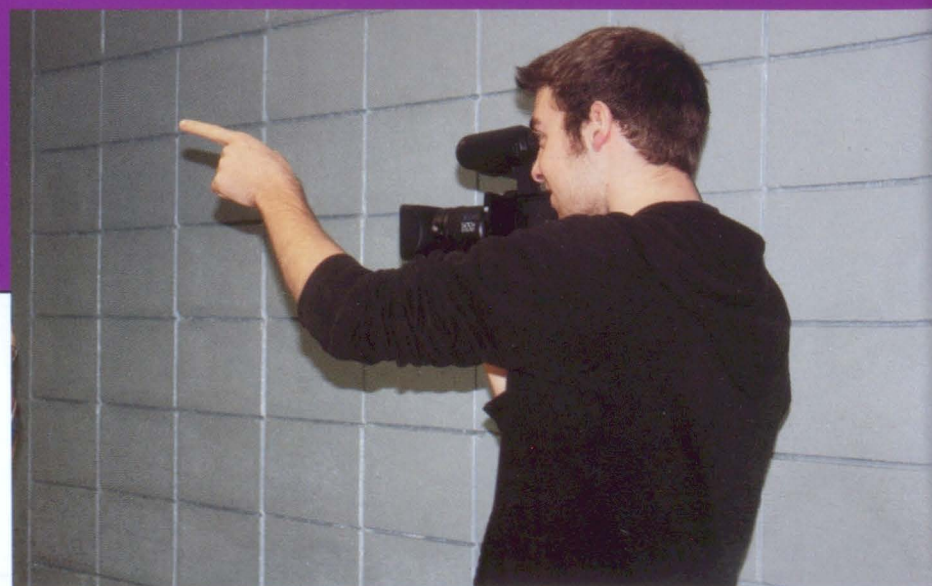
A lot of outside work is required. The students have to dedicate their time in group projects, class projects, and out of class recordings. Students in the class put a lot of hard work and all of their dedication into the productions to make all videos a success.



Recording one of their productions, Nick Chaney (11) said, "You need to have precision to film the best angles."

Mickey Devlin (11) fights off the evil monster, Dominick Mayle (12) in one of their many productions.

"Action!" said Cody Seigneure (11) as he taped a skit for the Scooby-Doo movie.





Staying on task, Steve Kuhr (11) spends his class time editing a sports video filmed by the Productions class.

Cody Hug (12) dresses up in a robot costume. "It's fun to dress up everyday and put on goofy outfits for different movies." said Hug

TV Studio and Video Productions: *Front Row:* Mickey Devlin, Hannah Gryka *Second Row:* Cody Signeruire, Clinton Neuner, Chad Manning *Back Row:* Steve Kuhr, Nick Chaney, Cody Hug, Dominick Mayle, Mr. Kurt Welchner

Brainstorming his ideas, Clinton Neuner (12) puts forth all his efforts to complete a movie scene by editing it on the computer.

Working on one of their many projects, Chad Manning (10), Cody Signeriurie (11), Mickey Devlin (11), and Hannah Gryka (12) practice their skit.



1. Tristin Coll (9), Madelyn Ather (12), Savannah O'Neil (9), Katelyn Weiller (10) and Haylie Zalewski (9), warm up to sing. "We warm up to get our voices used to singing. It helps us find the correct pitch," said Weiller.

2. Singing their hearts out, Shelby Westergaard (10), Chelsie Warwick (10) and Jenny Warwick (10) put on a good show at the Christmas concert. "It's fun to hear our finished product at the concert. We work hard to get there," said Jenny Warwick.

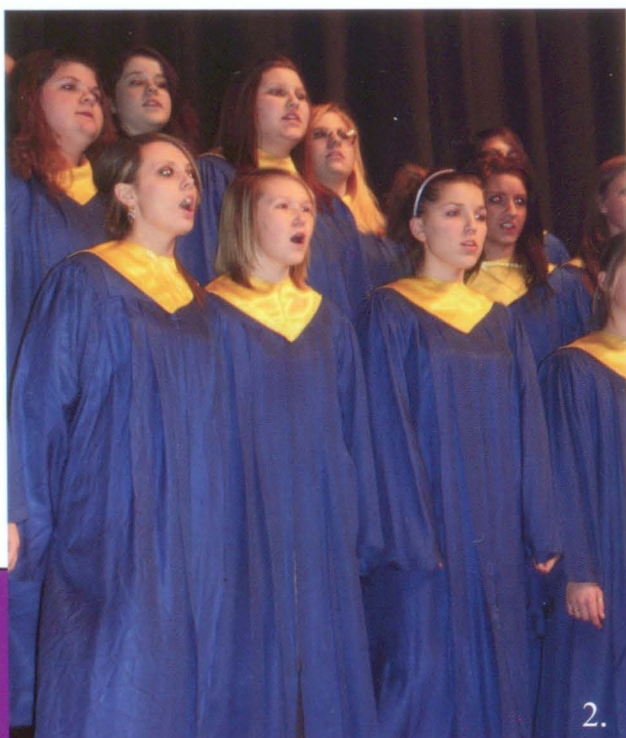
3. Looking festive at the Christmas concert, Rainbow Connection members Cassie Paulun (12), Jenna Phillips (12), Julia Martin (12), and Candice Paulun (11) show off all their hard work. Cassie Paulun (12), a member of Rainbow, said, "I'm going to miss putting time and effort into Rainbow to make it something we will be proud of."

4. Dressed in her halloween best, Savannah O'Neil (9) dances to *Ramalama Bang Bang* with her other Rainbow members. "Learning the dance was fun, but it was also a lot of work," said O'Neil.

5. While wearing Halloween costumes, Special Delivery performs for the annual Halloween concert. "The best part of teaching is seeing how proud my students are and how well they do at the concerts," said Ms. Adrienne Seeley.



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"You must feel what
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of the language."
-Cecilia Bartoli

We Rock the Mic

Unlike other classes, a majority of the choir class, called Special Delivery, consists of returning members. This allows the members to become closer. The choir becomes a family, practicing together, supporting each other, and singing together. Sophomore Shelby Ranales said, "Choir means a lot. It's fun, and you get to compete and make new friends." For new members the fun has just begun. Freshman Nicole Bonam said, "I joined choir because I thought it'd be fun. Ms. Seeley has taught me a lot in my first year."

A significant part of choir is the concerts. Every day they work on performing for their annual Halloween, Christmas, and spring concerts. Ms. Adrienne Seeley dedicates time to carefully choose music. Ms. Seeley said, "I try to choose songs that are new and different so the kids can experience something new, fun and challenging, but that are also quality songs." The concerts are the time for the choir to show off what they've been working on throughout the year. "I get butterflies in my stomach because we finally sing what we practice for so long in front of our friends and families," said sophomore Abby Irwin.

An addition to the choir is the group Rainbow Connection. This group is given the opportunity to take their singing to a higher level with more advanced site reading and also dancing. To become a member of this elite group, a lot of hard work and auditions are required. The thirteen members meet after school four days a week to rehearse. Rainbow is the group that does the extra concerts such as the graduation ceremony, the NHS Induction Ceremony, the award ceremony, and any other extra opportunities that arise.

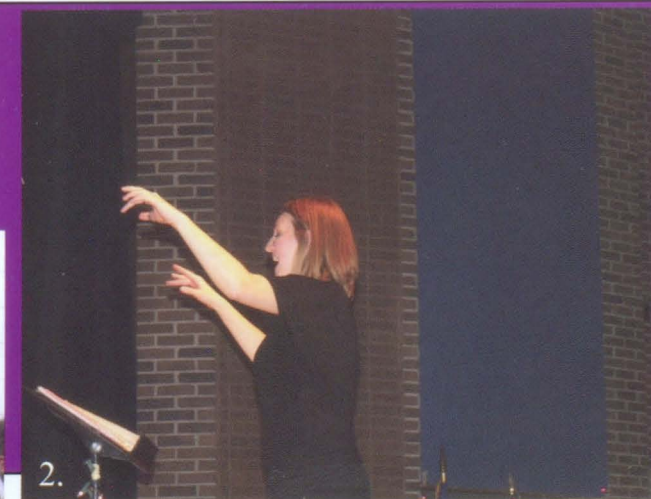
For some choir members they'll move on next year and continue Special Delivery or Rainbow Connection, while for other members this will be their last year. Senior Maddie Ather said, "After this year I will miss singing in a group and just having fun with my class."



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1. Adding some spice to the concert, Rainbow showed off their dance with Ms. Adrienne Seeley, Shelby Ranales (10) and Emily Girardin (10) up front.

2. Leading the choir to success at their annual Halloween concert for her third year, Ms. Adrienne Seeley conducts the choir.

3. Jamie Keaver (11), Jenna Phillips (12), Cassandra Paulun (12) and Samantha Tiano (11) practice with their class members. "Practicing our vowel shaping in class unifies the sound to make us sound better as a class," said Jenna Phillips, senior class leader.

"Music is the literature of
the heart; it commences
where speech ends."
-Alphonse de Lamartine

Rising to the Top

From winning the band festival with straight ones, to winning the hearts of fans at football games, the Algonac high school band is seeking to improve the program, as well as themselves.

While gaining 44 freshmen this year, the small group of six returning seniors dedicate much needed time and effort to keep everyone up to pace and on the same page. Seniors including, Megan Fisher, Julie Baranowski, Michael Marotta, and Autumn Colotti, enjoy teaching new things to the younger participants and are proud of the hard work they contribute to the program. "Seniors are meant to be leaders to incoming freshmen. We're here to help them understand and transform from middle school to high school band," said senior Elizabeth Darling.

Along with having experience with their music, come many privileges for being an upperclassmen. "Being a drum major with Beth comes with some much needed responsibility. We conduct halftime shows, tell band members what to do, when to do it and lead the band in place of Mr. Robert Gras, the band director," said senior Kendra Frischosy.



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1. "I have been playing the French Horn since middle school and I wouldn't want to play anything else," said Rachael Flum (11) after she plays her french horn in preparation for the winter concert.

2. The clarinet section focuses on playing *The Bleak Midwinter* perfectly at the winter Band-o-rama concert.

3. Derik Lauand (11) makes a huge impact to the concert and percussion section by playing the snare drum.



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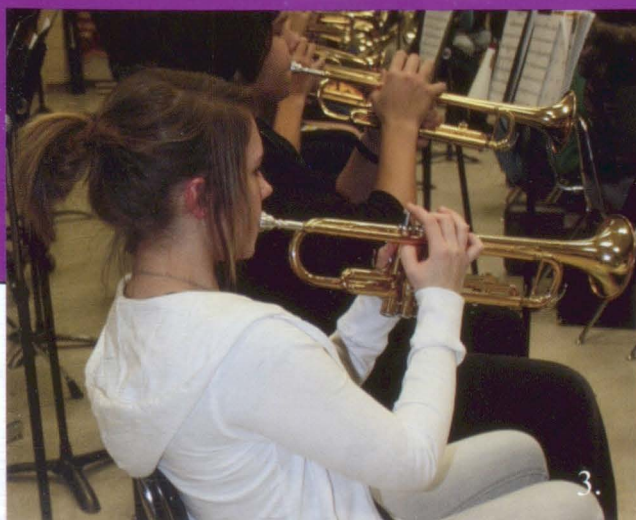
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1. Marching Band: *Front row:* Lauren Fett, Nathan Bush, Nicholas Sheufelt, Randolph Kardas, Ian Hart, Thomas Darrah, Derik Lauland, Matthew Hines, Jessica Miller, Lauren Fisher, Shelby Bommarito, Tristan Hart, Chance Petrovich
Second row: Mr. Robert Gras, Elizabeth Darling, Kendra Frishcosy, Julie Viger, Olivia Levis, Stephanie Tercha, Marissa Stegman, McKahla Breck-Johnson, Katelyn Laubenthal, Danielle Radulski, Stephanie Henry, Megan Fisher, Alexa Migliore, Skylar Finkey, Rachel Crimmens, Jordyn Turner, Rachel Flum, Carrie-Anne Wyatt, Sean McGregor
Third row: Alicia Norman, Michael Schutt, Amelia Wilson, Amanda Stambaugh, Emily Darling, Melissa Lyon, Chareese Danis, Ashley Furtuh, Julie Baranowski, Jacquelyn Saums, Sarah Stegman, Samantha Shearer, Kassandra Laparl, Kayla Sharrow, Casey Hinkle, Anna Megel, Ruth Irish, Chloe Huard, Curtis Worley, Autumn Colotti
Fourth row: Daniel Chauvin, Jacob Turner, Andrew Lewsick, Aaron Milenbaugh, Andrew Lewsick, Rachel Winqest, Holly Hilliker, Shaila Auferoth, Kara Gardener, Sara Irish, Alyssa Schafer, Ricci Turner, Tori Rhodes, Alexander Foote, Margaret Phillips, Elise Terry, Valerie Cornish, Alyssa Cope
Back Row: Emily Westbrook, Tyler Kristoff, Joshua Bush, Jason Arbuckle, Alan Milenbaugh, Andrew Ostrowski, Kayla Rock, Maria Winqest, Sarah Amiels, Julia Waite, Trevor Campbell, Kell Bechtold, Kelly Schultz, Samantha Sawyer, Ryan Reed, Frank Ian Sass, Alexis Davis, Patrick Zewatski, Michael Marotta. *Not Pictured:* Maranda Briggs

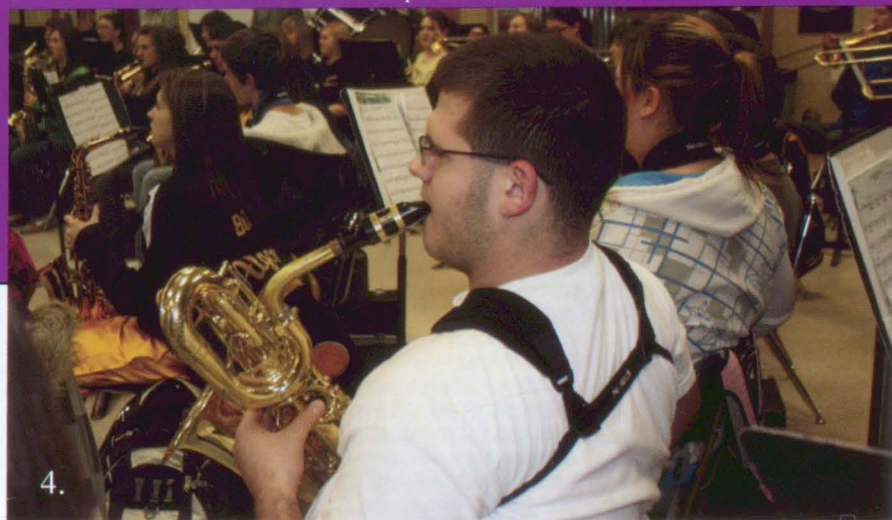
2. The brass section raise their trumpets high to play their group parts in the song *Sleigh Ride*.

3. "I love being in band because I like playing the trumpet and the trips we've gone on," said Julie Viger (10) while preparing herself for the winter Band-o-rama concert.

4. Mike Marotta (12) plays the saxophone while reading the most recent sheet music for the upcoming band festival. Mike hopes to get another one to add to their previous success.



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Protesting for Safety

"It is in your moments of decision that your destiny is shaped."
- Anthony Robbins

Students Against Destructive Decisions (S.A.D.D.) does what it can to prevent students from making poor choices. Around the time of major school events, including homecoming and prom, students involved in the group promote safety and importance in good decision making.

At Halloween, S.A.D.D. put together a Grim Reaper situation, in which a student "died" every time a bell rang. They could no longer talk to anyone. This signified the amount of people who die from drunk driving in a single day. "They think that going out and drinking will be fun, but it could have bad results. It shows them what could actually happen," said senior Danielle Lipa. As student organizer of S.A.D.D., Lipa worked "so that I could keep the message going around the school."

Before Christmas, S.A.D.D. members made a paper chain with students' names and pledges to be safe written on each link. This hung around the cafeteria to remind all of us to be safe.

They also had students promise to be safe over the New Year's holiday by writing on paper stars. These stars were hung in the commons area.



3. **S.A.D.D.** Front Row: Alexis Aslakson, Ashley Edwards, Megan Lowes, Emily Henry, Lauren Fisher, Jessica Miller Second Row: Dana Zielinski, Katie Smith, Brooke Ruhlman, Alexandra Molletti, Kaylin Hurlburt, Megan Fisher, Elyse Terry Third Row: Rachel Winqest, Paige Sadlowski, Samantha Sawyer, Maria Winqest, Brittany Vernier, Danielle Lipa Fourth Row: Janine Lewandoski, Rachel Flum, Chelsea Cook, Adrienne Witherspoon, Chantelle Smith, Nicole Hebel, Nicole Cober Back Row: Jacob Syrocki, Sarah Zuccaro, Alexis Davis, Allysa Cope, Shelby Ross, Danielle Radulski, PaTia Burgess, Rachel Crimmins, Mr. Sam Dobbs



1. S.A.D.D. president, Danielle Lipa (12) discusses upcoming events with group members.

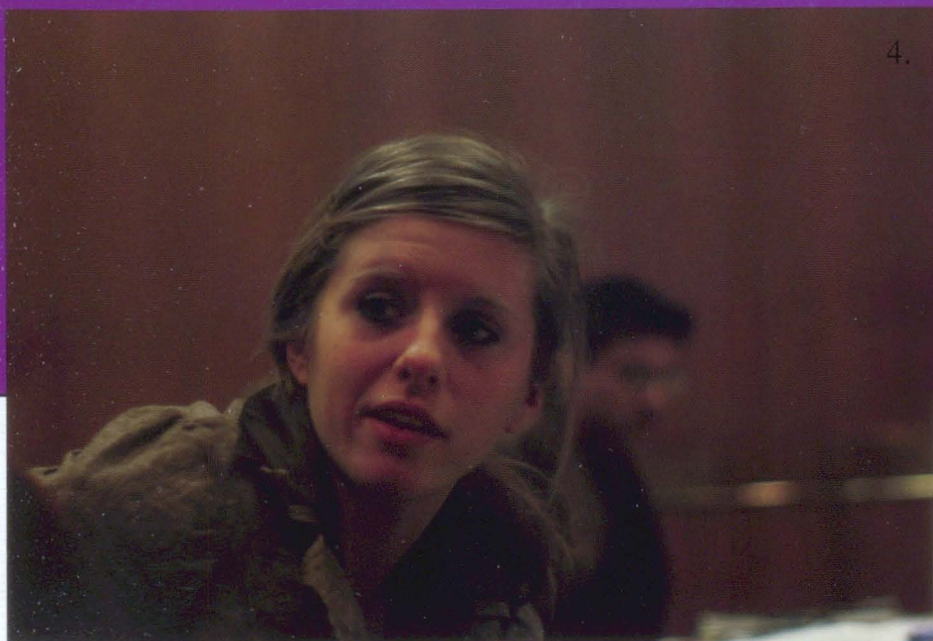


2. Brittany Vernier (12), Adrienne Witherspoon (12), Danielle Radulski (11), Nicole Cober (12), Chantelle Smith (12), and PaTia Burgess (12) volunteer to participate in the prom demonstration.

4. Shelby Ross (11) hangs up the paper chain of students' pledges to safety.

"It is the spirit
and not the form of law
that keeps justice alive."
- Earl Warren

Searching for Truth



1. Ryan Belisle (12), Tyler Uhl (11), and Katie Smith (11) discuss their approach to the case at the regional competition.
2. Savannah Schippert (11) is interested in this case because "there were two possible suspects, the case could have swung either way."

In his fifth year of coaching Mock Trial, Mr. Craig Cassady lead the team to success. With a total of 19 members, students have the chance to become more familiar with the judicial system and better their public speaking skills. Sophomore Samantha Bloink enjoyed being a member of the team. "It's fun to manipulate facts into something you can work with," said Bloink.

The students have a chance to be a lawyer or a witness for a day. As a lawyer, they create questions to create a story of what happened, and to pull flaws out of the witnesses.

Using seminar time to practice and gather their arguments, the group dealt with a criminal case involving a murder trial. The team had to analyze the case, assign roles and practice for the county competition held in March. This competition works with the St. Clair County Bar Association. A lawyer is assigned to each team. Coach Cassady was pleased with the team's performance. "We did very well this year, and I am proud of their effort. I'm looking forward to next year because we have a number of strong returning members," said Cassady.



3. At the regional competition, Logan Sankuer (12) and Emilee Rollison (10) review notes preparing for the upcoming witness.

4. Lauren Fisher (11) discusses with her team the techniques that the other lawyers are using, and tries to find an objection.

5. Focusing on the testimony, Ryan Belisle (12) prepares to give his cross examination to the witness on the stand and try to prove that the witness is guilty. "Cross examination is tough because you have to think on your feet, you don't have anything written down so you have to improv a lot," said Belisle.

Clubs Stay Strong

"Working together,
ordinary people can perform
extraordinary feats"

- Unknown

Facing hardships with losing funding and teacher advisors, students still came through for the clubs they care about. Teachers have also shown their devotion to the clubs and volunteer their time to make sure the clubs keep going strong.

Book Club received a book grant, which donated thirty three books. This helps out because the main struggle in Book Club is getting a hold of interesting books for everyone since the members are asked to buy their own books. "Book Club has opened my eyes to other books that I may not have read before and it gives me a chance to talk to my friends about it," said junior Margaret Phillips.

Recycling Club has continued to stay strong this year with Presidents Maddie Ather and Jessica Rose leading the club. This club helps the school and the environment with their efforts. Every week they collect bins from each class to sort and recycle. "We work really hard every week to make sure all the bins get collected and sorted," said senior member Ryan Besile.

Students had to fight to keep Quiz Bowl around this year. The club almost didn't happen because of the loss of the teacher advisors, but Mr. Jason Lucka and Mrs. Stephanie Urban stepped up to the plate. The Quiz Bowl members meet to practice for their meets. This year there is a Junior Varsity team and a Varsity team. "I like being able to hang out with my friends while doing something cool like Quiz Bowl," said senior Jordan Greene.

The clubs add to the school and give the students a chance to participate in more activities. Without strong willed students and teachers willing to volunteer their time these clubs wouldn't continue to exist.



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1. Mrs. Jennifer Bruytn and Jessica Kilgore (12) participate in a discussion about *The Rules of Survival*, which was one of the donated books.

2. Recycling Club members Maddie Ather (12) and Caitlyn Lalonde (11) sort through paper in the green house. "Every week we have so much to recycle, so it gets tough to keep the green house clean," said Lalonde.

3. Listening carefully, Josh Rivard (12) waits to buzz in at his Quiz Bowl meet while dressed as a sailor. Rivard said, "For every meet we pick a theme and we all dress up to add some fun to the meets."



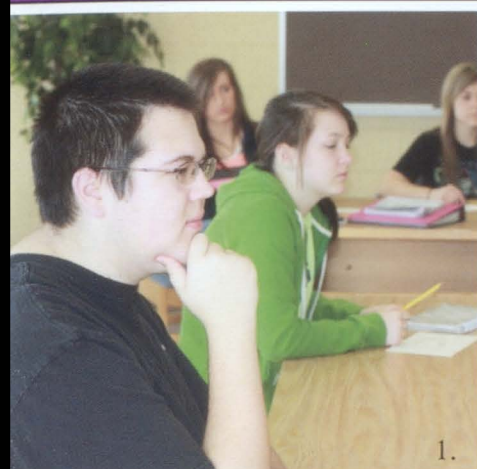
With his hands full, Ryan Belisle (12) collects full bins from classrooms and heads to the green house.



Dressing to the week's theme, Megan Fisher (12) gets ready to go to a Quiz Bowl meet.

Coming together is a beginning.
 Keeping together is progress.
 Working together is success."
 - Henry Ford

Students Speak Up



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5. **Front Row:** Michalea Schippert (10), Savannah Schippert (11), Katie Smith (11), Jessica Miller (11), Lauren Fisher (11), Stephanie Henry (9) **Back Row:** Anthony Steffen (11), Julie Baranowski (12), Morgan Rorah (10), Shelby Ross (11), Megan Fisher (12), Kristin Schultz (12)

"Principal Advisory is a chance for students to have a voice and see things from the teachers' and principal's point of view," said Mrs. Carol Bokhari. The group consists of students from each grade along with, Mr. Brian Bruytn, Mrs. Carol Bokhari, Mrs. Denise Gregg, and Ms. Megan Hinkle. The group meets once a month to discuss issues important to the students. In the past, Principal Advisory has made changes to improve the bathrooms, format the open house, change seminars and they also installed the pen and pencil dispensers. This year the focus is on the transition of the new principal. "Mr. Bruytn is interested in our views," said junior Shelby Ross. Along with Mr. Brutyn coming along, the group also faced the change of losing Ms. Hinkle. "We are sad to see Ms. Hinkle leave and to lose her voice at the meetings," said senior Kristin Schultz.

This group is a great way for students to become involved with the school and hear first hand what is really going on. "It really gives us students a chance to speak up about school and we get to throw around any ideas to improve the school," said junior Savannah Schippert. Principal Advisory has been around for a few years now and will continue to exist with the help of the principal, teachers and interested students.



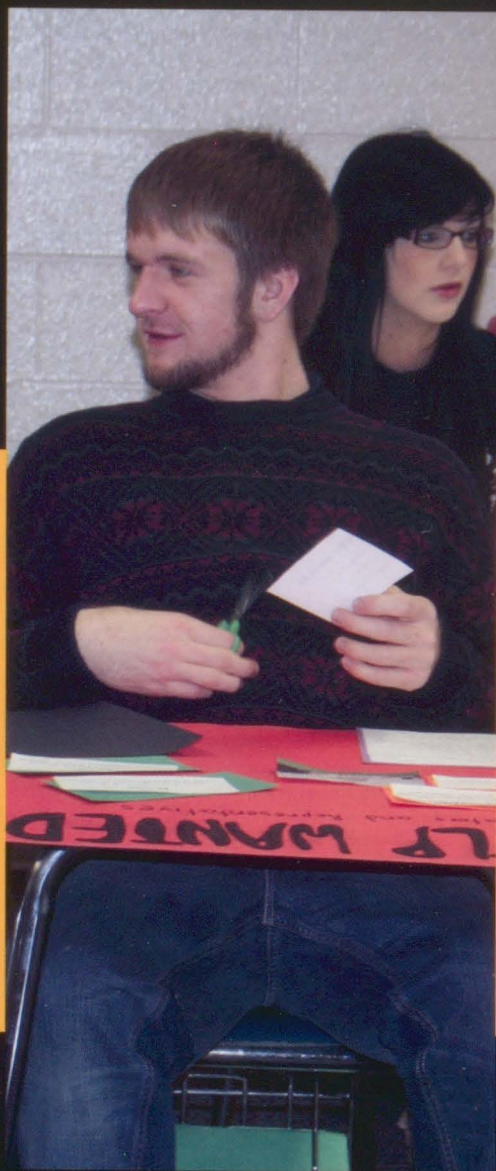
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1. All ears, Anthony Steffen (11) and Jessica Miller (11) consider all the new ideas presented at the meeting. "The meetings are interesting. we get to hear Mr. Bruytn's ideas along with fellow students," said Jessica Miller.

2. Advisor Ms. Carol Bokhari keeps things organized by going over the agenda with member Katie Smith (11).

3. Paying close attention at the monthly meeting, Julie Baranowski (12), Courtney Carlson (9), Shelby Ross (11), and Kristin Schultz (12) discuss improvements for the school.

4. Bringing order, Mr. Brian Bruytn, leads the meetings to a success with discussions of prom and future building improvements.



Brian Coughlin (11)



Katie Smith (11)



Aaron Foster (10)



Jessica Nadrowski (10)



Brooke Ruhlman (12)
Tyler Peters (12)

"We all live with the objective of being happy; our lives are all different and yet the same."

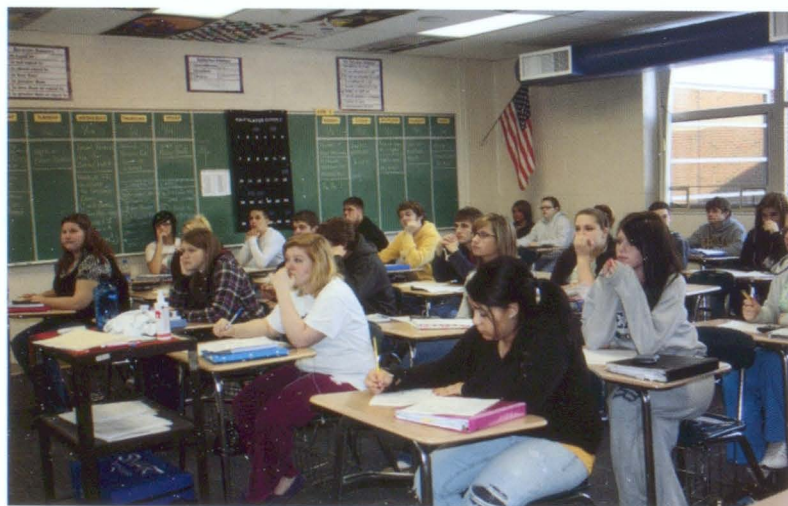
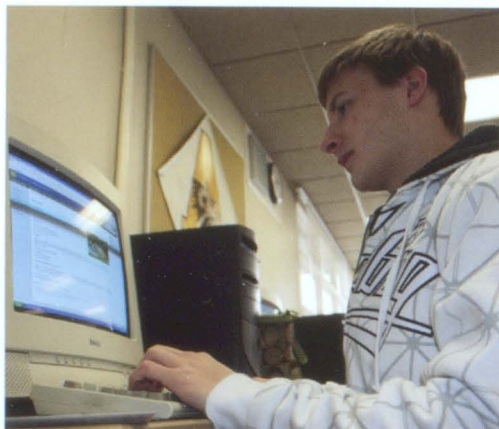
—Anne Frank

Maxwell Trombly (12) searches the internet for a college he would like to attend after graduation.

Mrs. Nicole Coss takes a little time out with Cori Champagne (12) to help her go over papers concerning college.

Nicole Jacks (12) proudly takes a picture next to the college campus sign that she is looking forward to attending.

Math is required in every college. Students in Ms. Lisa Burns' third hour focus on reviewing geometric concepts.



"Success is not a
DESTINATION,
it's a **JOURNEY."**

-Zig Zigler



Isabela Almeida

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."

- Eleanor Roosevelt



Bryan Anger



Mark Armstrong



Dawn Arneil

Starting Something New

The class of 2010 finally made their way to the top. Many seniors have been looking forward to graduating and being able to do things on their own. With all the memories made over the past years and making new friends, some will never be forgotten. After leaving high school everyone is going to be heading their own separate ways to do bigger and better things with their lives.

The seniors have a lot of responsibilities to handle before school ends; for example, find what to study in college, what college to go to, where they want to work, and many more things. Thinking about what her plans are going to be for the future, senior Samantha Hansen said, "I want to start off by going to SC4, and then go to a university. I'm hoping for a bright and new successful life."

As the year is coming to an end, seniors are realizing that they have to start acting more like the adults that they are going to become rather than kids.

"I think we knew it was time to let go of what had been, and look ahead to what would be. Other days. New days. Days to come.

The thing is, we didn't have to hate ourselves for getting older. We just had to forgive ourselves...
for growing up."
-The Wonder Years



Alexis Aslakson

"I will never let you down, I will love you now and forever."

-Anonymous



Madeline Ather

"Never be bullied into silence. Never allow yourself to be a victim. Accept no one's definition of your life; define yourself."

-Harvey Fierstein



Benjamin Balfour



Julie Baranowski

"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined."

-Henry David Thoreau

Not Pictured:

Troy Banks
 Jesse Beaton
 Nicole Colegrove
 Colten Dibble
 Dylan DuPage
 Justin Fett
 Samantha Green
 Michael Grimaldi
 Kayla Harrington
 Jonathan Hermes

Harrison House
 Bradley LeRoy
 Kayla McGee
 Raquel Prinzivalli
 Chase Smith
 Kristen Swinson
 Brittanie Thomas
 Matthew VanSlambrouck
 Rebeka Wrightman



Ashley Barnett

"If you wait to do everything until you're sure it's right, you'll probably never do much of anything."

-Unknown Author



Ryan Belisle

"The greatest revenge is massive success."

-Frank Sinatra



Kadee Biland



Lisa Branchick

"Trust that little voice in your head that says wouldn't it be interesting if... and then do it."

-Duane Michals



Danny Burby



Katelyn Burby

"If you ain't first, you're last!"

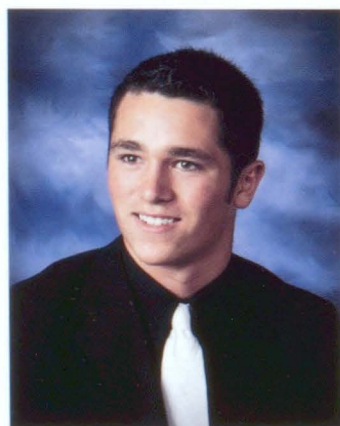
-Ricky Bobby



PaTia Burgess



Shelby Byerly



Charles Case



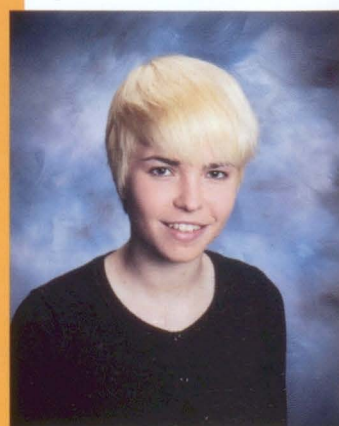
Kaitlyn Casper



Cori Champagne

"Time you enjoy wasting, was not wasted."

-John Lennon



Kateryna Chaykovska

"Insanity in individuals is something rare- but in groups, parties, nations, and epochs, it is the rule."

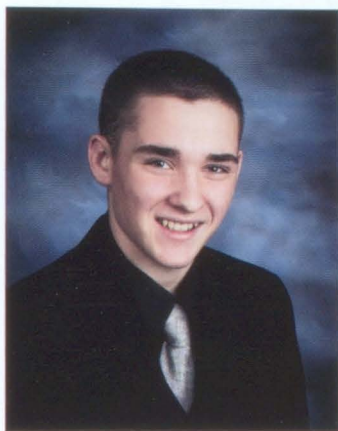
-Friedrich Nietzsche



Erin Chicovsky

"Do what you can today because tomorrow you might not get the chance."

-Unknown Author



William Churchill

"I don't want to be a product of my environment, I want my environment to be a product of me."

-Frank Castello



Autumn Colotti

"Happy times may come and go, but the memories will last forever."

-Unknown Author



Chelsey Cook

"Don't worry, be happy."

-Bob Marley



Natalie Cross



Dale Dare

"To be upset over what you don't have is to waste what you do have."

-Ken S. Keyes, Jr



Elizabeth Darling

"If music be the food of love, play on."

-Shakespeare (The 12th Act)

"We do not
remember
DAYS,
we remember
MOMENTS."

- Cesare Pavese

Do You Remember

As senior year flies by seniors reminisce about their memories made throughout high school. When looking back at past moments senior Rachel Schreck said, "My favorite is trying to take the Indiana Jones cutout from Burger King with Emily Henry."

Each student has a certain memory they will miss most about high school. "I'm going to miss all the people I won't be able to see once I move to college," said senior Clinton Neuner. Friends, sports, teachers, and even school lunches will be missed after graduation.

The thought of leaving high school triggers many emotions for the class of 2010. "I feel sad and happy at the same time when I think about leaving high school," said senior Dominick Mayle. With the last four years coming to an end, the seniors are left with many lasting memories.

"I'm going to miss dancing with the girls at homecoming," said Nick Morris (12) while posing in a picture with Clinton Neuner (12) from their freshman homecoming.

Sitting with her friends at a Rainbow Connection retreat, Cassandra Paulun (12) said "I've met a lot of cool people since I've moved to Algonac and I'll miss them all."



Matthew Davey

"Life is simple. You make decisions
and don't look back."
-Sung 'Han' Kang



Jesse DeRue



Brianne Ditto

"Live your life to the fullest!"
-Unknown Author



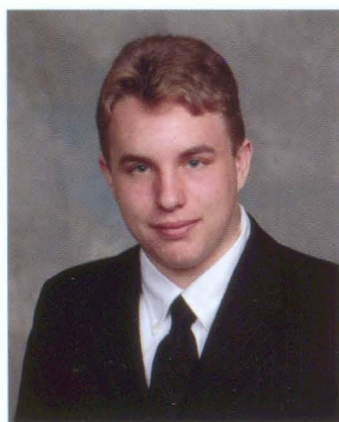
Natasha Doan

"It's the friends you can call up at 4
a.m. that matter."
-Mariene Dietrice



Megan Fisher

"Be who you are and say what you
feel because those who mind don't
matter and those who matter don't
mind."
-Dr. Suess



Benjamin Florence



Douglas Foster

"I can do all things through Christ
who strengthens me."
-Philippians 4:13



Kendra Frishcosy

"A friend can tell you things you
don't want to tell yourself."
-Frances Ward Weller



Shelby Garchow

"Love is like a pen, you can cross it
out but can't erase it."
-Unknown Author



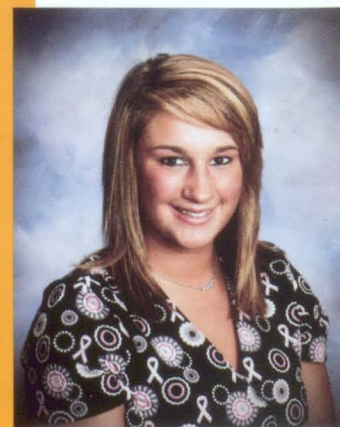
Naomii Genaw

"Live everyday like it's your last
because tomorrow is never
promised."
-Unknown Author



Carolyn Goodall

"Memory is a way of holding on to
the things you love, the things you
are, and the things you never want to
lose."
-Kevin Arnold



Miranda Gouine



"I thought tennis would be a fun thing to do during the fall, so I figured I'd try it for the first time," said Matt Kloeffer (12).

Quiz Bowl members listen intently to their coaches Ms. Urban and Mr. Lucka as they prepare for their next meet.

Time of Changes

High school is a time when students try, learn, and do new things. Many people think that by senior year students have accomplished everything that they wanted. Senior Kenny Guay joined drama his senior year. He said, "I took drama this year because I thought it would be a fun class and being on stage in front of an audience would be good practice for my future." But unlike Guay, that's not the case for many seniors. Senior year is the last year of high school, which can sometimes mean the last year of fun.

After high school, some students to go to college, others are looking to find jobs, and in some cases, students plan to do both. With so many responsibilities in the future, seniors use their last year to do things they've always wanted to, but haven't had the chance or courage to do in the past. To complete senior year some get their first job, try new sports, or even start a new hobby, in hopes to make this final year the best year ever.



Kenneth Green



Jordan Greene



Brittany Greer

"I am not afraid of tomorrow, for I have seen yesterday and I love today."

William White



Taminque Griffin



Jonathan Grimshaw



Hannah Gryka

"Through every dark night, there is a bright day after that. So no matter how hard it gets, stick your chest out, keep your head up and handle it."

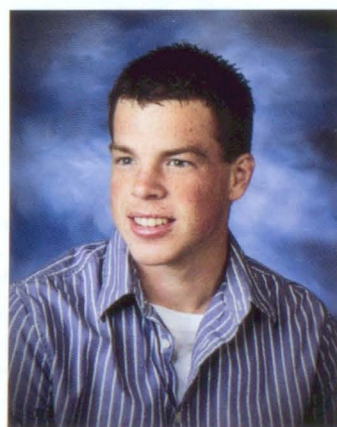
-Tupac Shakur



Kenneth Guay

"Forever will there be friends, and never should you be without them."

-Author Unknown



Dalton Hagel

"A real friend is one who walks in when the rest walk out."

-Walter Winchell



Yassine Halila



Katelynn Hanosh



Samantha Hansen

"It's time to lift your wings and fly into the grown people we know we can be."

-Author Unknown



Nicole Hebel

"It's the friends you can call up at 4:00 a.m. that matter."

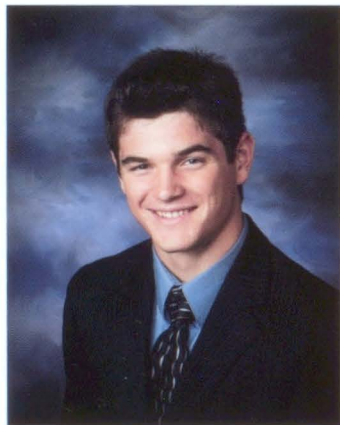
-Marlene Dietrice



Eric Heim

"The harder you work, the harder it is to surrender."

-Vince Lombardi



John Hintzman

"Just let it roll off your back like rain off a duck."

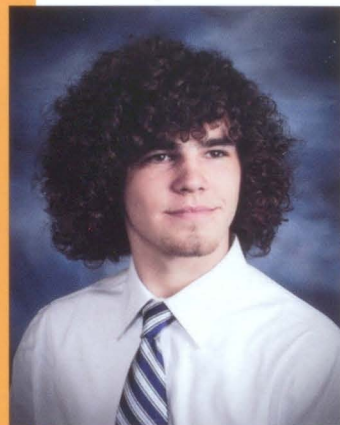
-Anonymous



Laura Hoag

"Love is like war; easy to begin but very hard to stop."

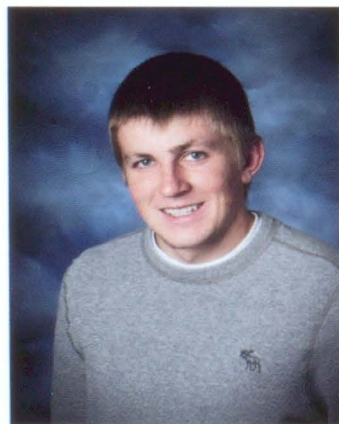
-H.L. Mencken



Alfred Hoover

"Who you choose to be around you lets you know who you are."

-Sung Kang (Han)



Cody Hug



Kaylin Hurlburt

"Laugh as much you breathe, and love as long as you live."

-Anonymous



Andrew Ialapi

"It is our choices that show what we truly are, far more than our abilities."

-J.K. Rowling



Nicole Jacks

"Good words do not last long unless they amount to something."

-Chief Joseph, Neg Perce

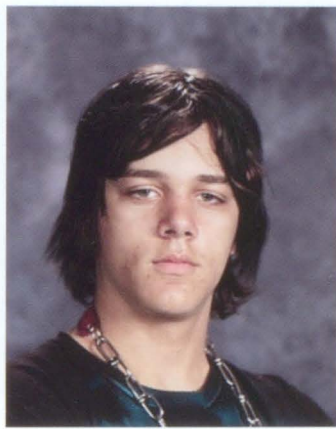


Sarun Jirawattanachai



Kaitlyn Kastler

"Life is your message to the world,
make it inspiring."
-Author Unknown



Justin Keever



Shawn Keigley



Jessica Kilgore

"Alive."
-Author Unknown



Matthew Kloeffer

"A rolling rock gathers no moss."
-Author Unknown



Alyssa Kozlowski

"Memory is a way of holding onto the
things you love, the things you do,
and the things you never want to
lose."
-Kevin Arnold



Nicholas Kuttner

"Do what you like and like what you
do."
Unknown Author



The way you look can change a lot
when you move on to high school.
Kenny Guay (12), Abbey Pak (12),
and Sarah McIntosh (12) all agree
that they've changed over the years.

Standing tall, Josh Rivard (12) has
grown tremendously over the last
few years since he has been in high
school.

Then and Now

From middle school to high school, people make a lot of major changes in their lives. Whether it's the way they look, the friends they make, or the type of person they've become, there are many things that have been altered.

By the time that senior year comes around, most students have changed the way they act, the way they dress, and they have become more mature because they're becoming an adult. Even the friends you make during middle school and high school change as you go about your life.

"My friends from middle school have changed because they are now more reliable and they are more trustworthy. I know that I can count on them," said senior Claudia Gieraltowski. Moving on to high school from middle school can change the person you are and make you the person you want to be remembered as.



Kyle LaParl



Sarah LaPlante

"We are here for a good time. Not a long time, so have a good time. The sun can't shine everyday."
-Trooper



Sarah Lapp

"At any given moment, there are a thousand things you can love."
-Anonymous



Danielle Lee

"All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them."
-Walt Disney



Harmony Lehotsky

"Listen! Or your tongue will make you deaf."
-Cherokee saying



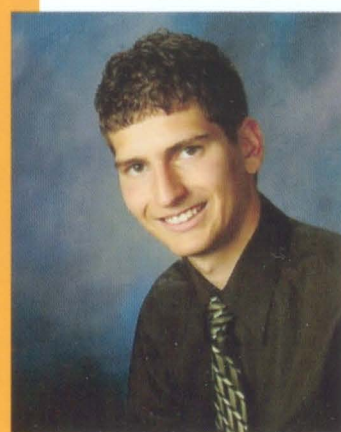
Danielle Lipa

"Nobody can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending."
-Napoleon Hill

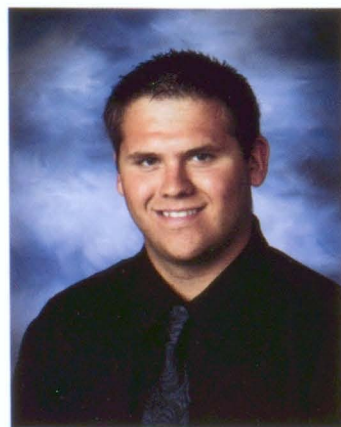


Simone Lorin

"The miracle is not to fly in the air, or to walk on the water, but to walk on the earth."
-Chinese Proverb



Gordon Marcinkoske



Michael Marotta

"The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather in a lack of will,"
-Vince Lombardi



Amanda Martin

"Experience is what happens when you expect something else."
-Aldous Huxley



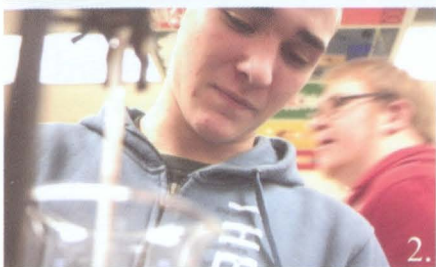
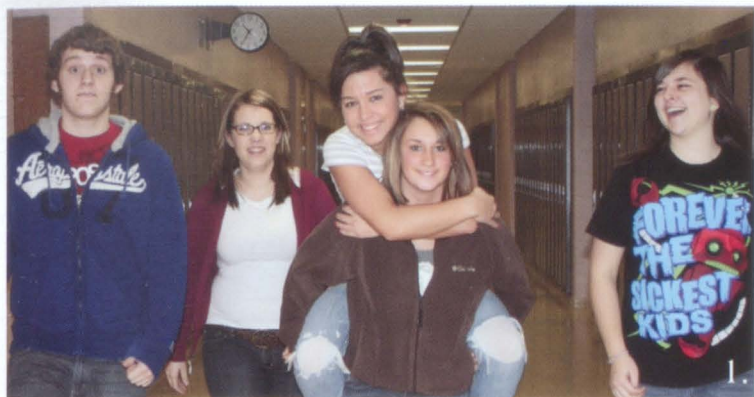
Julia Martin

"We did not change as we got older, we just became more clearly ourselves."
-Lynn Hall



Mishel' May

"Nobody can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending."
-Maria Robinson



1. Hanging out in the hallway, Brittany Vernier (12) said, "Honestly, it doesn't matter what you wear or who you're seen with, all that matters is that you had fun."
2. Will Churchill (12) works hard in the chemistry lab. He said, "I've learned the importance of finding a perfect mix between school work, sports, and other activities."

Voicing the Truth

From the moment students step into high school for orientation until graduation day, nothing but lessons are pounded into students' heads. Every day, at every moment, a new meaning is introduced.

"If you want to get things done you've got to work with people and you've got to let your voice be heard," said senior Jon Mitchell to his English class. Without even knowing it, he proves that lessons are taught all the time. Being able to work with others is a very important concept that is drilled into the minds of every student even before high school.

"This year's seniors have been with me for three years now. The growth of our choir program is a true testament of the heart and the dedication of these seniors," says Ms. Adrienne Seeley.

If ears and minds are opened, the amount of things that can be learned from the classroom and the hallways may be a surprise. Just by listening to friends and everyday classroom discussions, life's most important lessons can be introduced and obtained. Listening to each other is key and by doing it, it better prepares one for life beyond high school.



Dominick Mayle

"Friendship isn't a big thing; it is a million little things."
-Douglass Pagels



John McBride

"Every moment is an experience."
-Jake Roberts



Sarah McIntosh



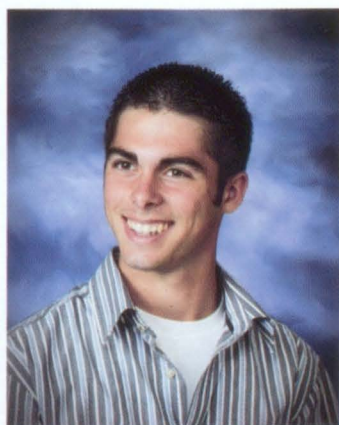
Nicholas Milantoni

"You miss 100% of the shots you never take."
-Unknown Author



Jonathan Mitchell

"If you've never failed, you've never tried anything."
-Albert Einstein



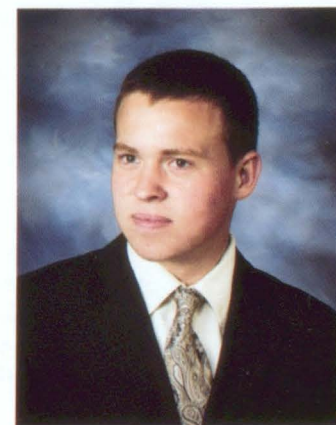
Tommy Moehlman

"There are mountains and there are mole hills. Climb the mountain the view is beautiful. Step on the mole hill you ruin the grass."
-Mark Simms



Alexandra Molletti

"Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow."
-Albert Einstein



Nicholas Morris



Dominic Moscone

"Just think about it, time is just a number."

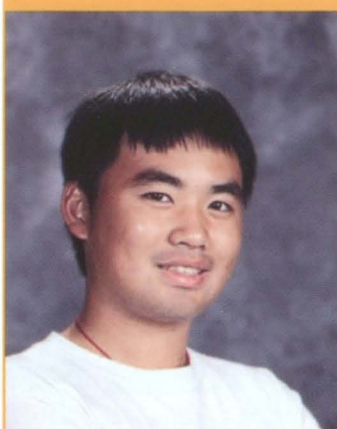
-Kenneth Lawrence Guay



Clinton Neuner

"Go out on the limb...that's where the fruit is."

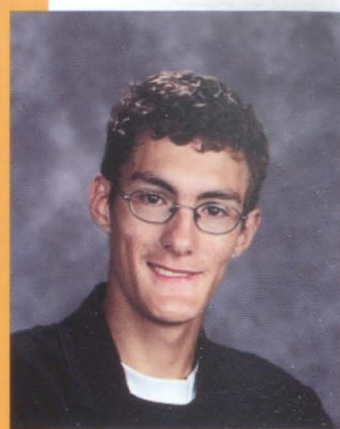
-Unknown Author



Wei Nong

"Every moment is an experience."

-Jake Roberts



Christopher Orchard



Abigail Pak

"Feed your brain."

-Jefferson Airplane



Andrew Paquette

"Failure is success if we learn from it."

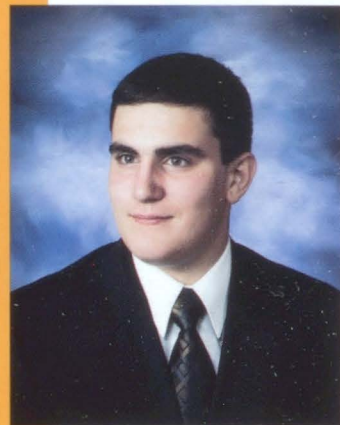
-Malcolm Forbes



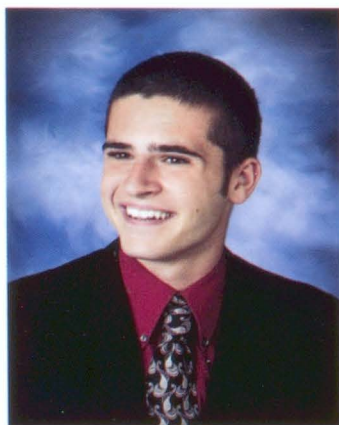
Cassandra Paulun

"Life is made up of 10% of what happens to you and 90% of the attitude you give from it."

-Dr. Victor Frankl



Anthony Perhogan



Tyler Peters

"Happiness is a form of courage."

-Mark Twain



Jenna Phillips

"Happiness is the soundtrack of my life."

-Grey Livingston



Shelby Piper

"Nobody can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending."

-Maria Robinson



Erik Pokoj

"Shake and Bake."

-Will Ferrell



Joshua Rivard

"There's not enough time to do all the nothing you want."

-Bill Watterson



Stacy Rix

"Never live life unnoticed."

-Unknown Author



Lyla Roberts



Jessica Rose

"Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind."

-Dr. Seuss



Brooke Ruhlman

"To accomplish great things, we must not only act, but also dream; not only plan, but also believe."

-Anatole France



Logan Sankuer



Rachel Schreck

"The best way to make your dreams come true is to wake up."

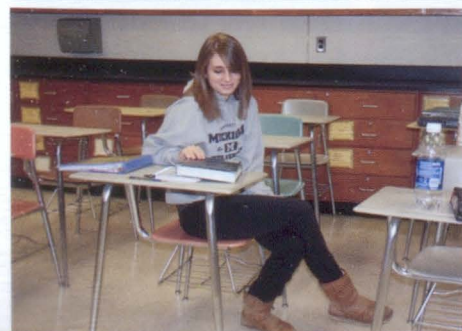
-Paul Valery



Ronald Schroeder

"The ladder of success is best climbed by stepping on the rungs of opportunity."

-Ayn Rand



Natalie Cross (12) shows off one of her favorite fads of this year. "I think flannel is going to be a fad for a while," said Cross.

High school can be tough. Some seniors cope by working the cozy look. Part of the cozy look can be Uggs boots; Maddie Ather (12) loves her Ugg boots.

In and Out of Style

There are many things that seniors have gotten used to while being in high school for four years. There are the cliques, the drama, and many other components. One thing we will all notice when looking at the many yearbooks that have been distributed throughout the years, are all the fads that senior class has gone through.

A fad can be a genre of music, the movies we watch, or even different activities that were popular at a certain point in time. When getting ready for school in the morning there were those things we always put on that correlated with the fashion of the time; such as Ugg boots, flannel, and leggings. For readers another fad might be the *Twilight Saga* by Stephanie Meyer. Meanwhile, on iPods one can find a lot more alternative rock than ever.

A lot of things go in and out of style when you're in high school, and looking back we probably will never truly understand what the big deal was at the time.



Kimberly Schultz

"A friend is someone who gives you total freedom to be yourself."
-Jim Morrison



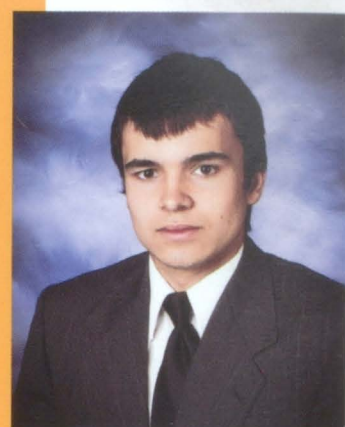
Kristin Schultz

"All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them."
-Walt Disney



Zachary Seigneurie

"The only source of knowledge is experience."
-Albert Einstein



William Servick

"Time is just a number."
-Kenny Guay



Ashleigh Smith

"Carpe Diem."
-Author Unknown



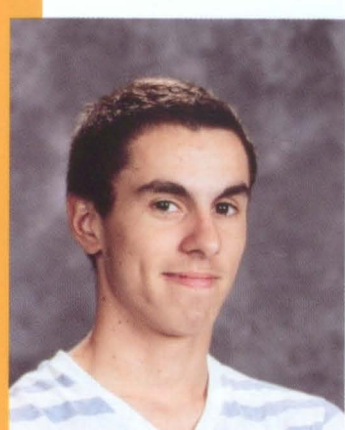
Chantelle Smith

"All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them."
-Walt Disney



Nathan Smith

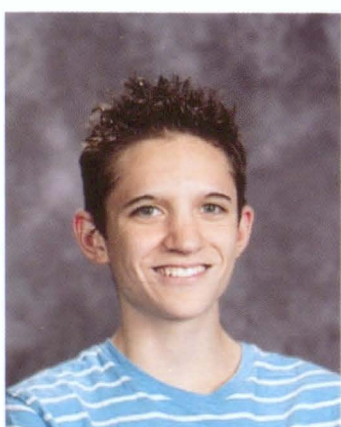
"Anything is possible."
-Kevin Garnet



Patrick Smith



Donald Socia



Cody Stahl



Jonathan Stubbs

"An eye for an eye makes the whole world blind."
-Ghandi



Craig Suppon

"Almost doesn't count."
-Author Unknown

Money is the Motive

For a high school student, senior year is, by far, the most important and the most expensive. Along with the expected expenses like college, cap and gown orders, senior pictures and spring break, the class of 2010 now has to pay for school sports, as well as AP tests.

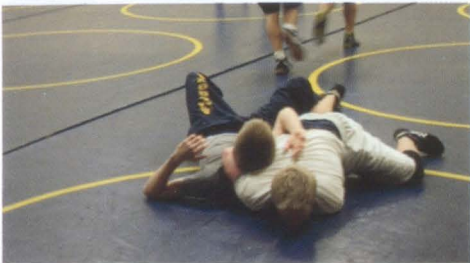
AP students will have to choose whether to pay and take the test that could earn them college credits. Each test will cost 78 dollars, which can get to be expensive. Senior Julie Baranowski is taking three AP classes. She said, "I will take all three of the AP tests. The money I could possibly save in college will make it worth paying for the tests."

The cost to participate in sports is now 100 dollars. That has many students, especially seniors, unsure about participating. Senior track member Cori Champagne said, "I'm not sure if I will be doing track this year. The fee is definitely something that I will have to consider."

On the other hand, college is an expense that will be necessary. Senior Tyler Peters said, "I'm pretty proud that I got into such a good school like University of Detroit Mercy. Now all I have to worry about is keeping my grades up and paying for it." With many parents facing lay-offs and losing their jobs, finding the money for expenses can be difficult, but hard work during senior year can pay off.



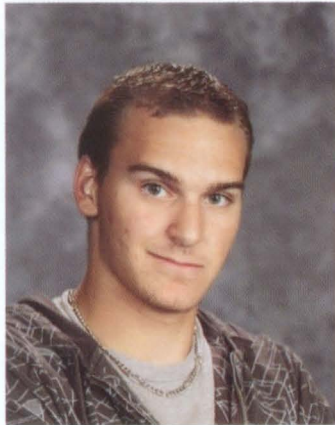
With graduation in June, Dominick Mayle (12) looks through the catalog as he orders his cap and gown.



Working on his technique, Eric Heim (12) did not let the new pay-to-play policy get in the way of his final wrestling season.



Brandon Swinkey



Timothy Szczesiul



Kruamat Thielk

"You cannot change the past, you can change, not the past."
-Author Unknown



Maxwell Trombly

"Not everything that counts can be counted, and not everything counted counts."
-Albert Einstein

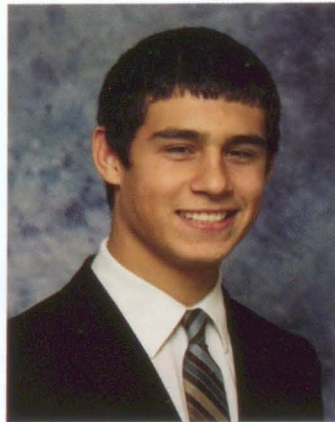


Brittany Vernier

"Practice makes perfect."
-Author Unknown



Ryan Waite



Joshua Walker



Katie Walker

"Sometimes you have to jump in the water without your floaties on."
-Anonymous



Paige Walsh
 "You can have nothing but love and
 still have everything."
 -Author Unknown



Anthony Ward
 "Time is just a number."
 -Kenny Guay



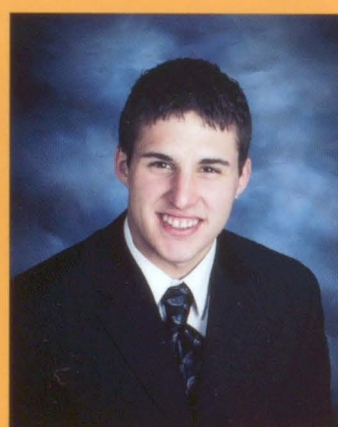
Brent Westley



Elizabeth Whittemore
 "Take a chance and you may lose.
 Take not a chance and you have
 already lost."
 -Soren Kierkegaard



Adrienne Witherspoon



William Wright



Amanda Zaidan

"And when the **future** hinges on
 the next words that are said, Don't let
 logic interfere, believe your **HEART**
 instead."

-Philip Robinson

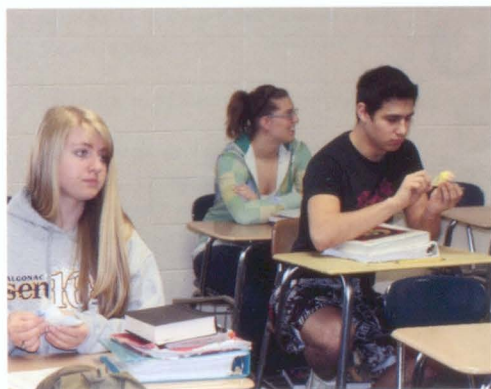
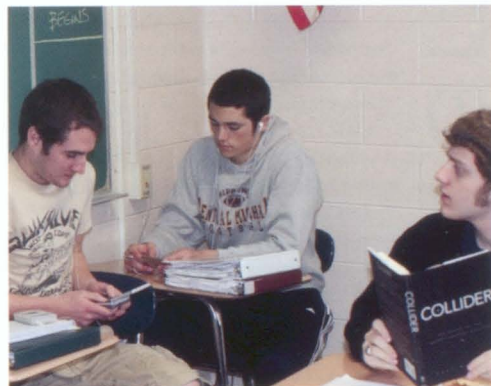
Class Color:
Blue and Gold

Class Song:
"I'm Not Gonna Cry"
-Corey Smith

Class Flower:
Sunflower

Class Motto:
"Behind us are
memories,
beside us are
friends, before
us are dreams
that will never
end."

-Author Unknown



Kendra Frishcosy (12), conducting for the band at a basketball game, will be going into music composition. "I can see myself doing it every day, and I'm naturally talented at it," said Frishcosy.



Hannah Gryka (12) shows support for her future college of Central Michigan University by wearing college apparel.

Unlocking the Future

As the class of 2010 approaches graduation, students prepare for their future outside of Algonac High School. They find unique opportunities to pursue careers in areas that they are interested in. Senior Nicole Jacks plans on staying close to home and going to Saint Clair County Community College to get a nursing degree. She has already taken the freshman course to be a nurse through the TEC program. "I am going right in to get my Bachelor Degree so I can be a Registered Nurse," said Jacks.

Others, like Senior Amanda Martin, plan on leaving Michigan completely. She will be attending Purdue University, located in West Lafayette, Indiana, to go into Aeronautical Engineering and Aviation. "I wanted a challenge and it's always been my dream to fly planes," said Martin. The senior class has a wide variety of interests, and will pursue many different careers that reflect the paths they wish to follow.

Senior Achievements

Bryan Anger: Track 9, 10; Drama 12; Newspaper 10

Mark Armstrong: Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Baseball 9, 10; Varsity Baseball 12

Dawn Arneil: SADD 9; TEC Center 11, 12

Alexis Aslakson: Varsity Tennis 10; Track 9; Newspaper 12; WAVE 9; SADD 12

Madeline Ather: Rainbow Connection 12; Quiz Bowl 12; Book Club 12; Recycling Club 12

Ben Balfour: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Varsity Football 11, 12; Varsity Baseball 12; Homecoming Court 12; TEC Center 11, 12

Troy Banks: JV Football 10; Varsity Football 11; JV Baseball 9; Varsity Baseball 11; Quiz Bowl 11; Mock Trial 9, 10, 11; Student Council 11

Julie Baranowski: Powder Puff 11, 12; Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Symphonic Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Student Council 11; Varsity Swimming 9; Principal's Advisory 12; Pass Mentoring 12

Ashley Barnett: Varsity Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; Drama 11, 12; Yearbook 12

Jesse Beaton: Varsity Tennis 9, 10

Ryan Belisle: Varsity Tennis 9, 10, 11; Drama 11, 12; Newspaper 10, 11, 12; Quiz Bowl 11, 12; Mock Trial 12; Recycling Club 12; Class Officer 9, 10; Student Council 9, 10, 12

Kadee Biland: Powder Puff 11; Rainbow Connection 9; TEC Center 11, 12

Lisa Branchick: SADD 12; Mock Trial 11

Dan Burby: Football 12

Katelyn Burby: SADD 12; TEC Center 11, 12

PaTia Burgess: Varsity Tennis 10; JV Cheerleading 9, 10; Powder Puff 12; Rainbow Connection 10, 11; SADD 12; TEC Center 11, 12

Alijah Burks: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Freshmen Basketball 9

Shelby Byerly: TEC Center 9

Charles Case: Varsity Football 12; Varsity Soccer 9; Varsity Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Basketball 10, 11; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Pass Mentoring 12

Kaitlyn Casper: Varsity Tennis 10; Band 9, 10; Symphonic Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10; TEC Center 11, 12.

Cori Champagne: Freshmen Volleyball 9; JV Volleyball 10; Track 9, 10, 11; Powder Puff 11; Homecoming Court 12; TEC Center 11, 12

Katya Chaykovska: Drama 11; NHS 11, 12; Pass Mentoring 12

Erin Chicosky: Varsity Tennis 11, 12; Powder Puff 12; Yearbook 11; Quiz Bowl 12

Will Churchill: Wrestling 9, 10, 11, 12; Drama 12; Newspaper 10, 11, 12; Rainbow Connection 9; Pass Mentoring 12

Nicole Cober: Band 9; TEC Center 11, 12

Autumn Colotti: Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Symphonic Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Color Guard 9, 10, 11, 12

Chelsey Cook: JV Cheerleading 9, 10; Varsity Cheerleading 11; SADD 12; TEC Center 11, 12; Pass Mentoring 12

Elizabeth Darling: Varsity Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; Powder Puff 11, 12; Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Symphonic Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Drum Major 11, 12; WAVE 9; NHS 11; NHS President 12; Student Council 11; Student Council Treasurer 12; Pass Mentoring 12

Natalie Cross: Band 9, 10; Symphonic Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10; Quiz Bowl 11

Dale Dare: TEC Center 11, 12

Matt Davey: TEC Center 11, 12

Jesse DeRue: JV Football 10; Drama 9, 10, 11, 12; TEC Center 11, 12

Brianne Ditto: Varsity Tennis 9, 10; Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10; SADD 11

Sarah Essenmacher: Choir 9, 10, 11, 12

Megan Fisher: Varsity Tennis 10, 11, 12; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Cheerleading 9, 10; Varsity Cheerleading 10, 11, 12; Track 9; Powder Puff 11, 12; Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Symphonic Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; WAVE 11; NHS 11, 12; Quiz Bowl 12; SADD 12; Homecoming Court 12; Student Council 12; Pass Mentoring 12

Doug Foster: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Varsity Football 11, 12; Track 9, 10; Pass Mentoring 12

Kendra Frishcosy: Varsity Tennis 11, 12; Powder Puff 11; Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Symphonic Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Drum Major 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; SADD 12

Shelby Garchow: Band 9, 10; Symphonic Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10; TEC Center 11, 12

Naomii Genaw: Powder Puff 11, 12; TEC Center 11, 12; Choir 9, 10

Claudia Gieraltowski: JV Cheerleading 9; Track 12; SADD 11; TEC Center 11, 12; SADD 11

Carolyn Goodall: Freshmen Volleyball 9; JV Volleyball 10; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Basketball 10; Varsity Basketball 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Powder Puff 11, 12; Yearbook 10, 11, 12; NHS 12; SADD 9, 10, 11, 12; Class Officer 12; Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12

Miranda Gouine: JV Cheerleading 10; Varsity Cheerleading 11; TEC Center 11, 12

Samantha Green: Freshmen Volleyball 9; JV Volleyball 10; Powder Puff 11; Yearbook 12; Pass Mentoring 12

Jordan Greene: Track 9; Drama 11, 12; Quiz Bowl 11, 12

Brittany Greer: JV Basketball 9, 10; Powder Puff 11, 12; Yearbook 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Homecoming Court 9, 10, 12; Student Council 11, 12

Tamanique Griffin: Drama 12; SADD 12

Jon Grimshaw: JV Football 10; Drama 11, 12; Quiz Bowl 12

Hannah Gryka: Varsity Soccer 9, 10; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Basketball 10; Powder Puff 11, 12; Drama 11, 12; TV Studio 12; Quiz Bowl 11; Book Club 11, 12; Recycling Club 11; Homecoming Court 10; Pass Mentoring 12

Kenneth Guay: Freshmen Football 9; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Basketball 10; Varsity Basketball 12; JV Baseball 10; Varsity Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Drama 12; TV Studio 11; NHS 12; Homecoming Court 9, 10, 12

Dalton Hagel: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Varsity Football 12; Wrestling 9, 10; Newspaper 11, 12

Yassine Halila: Varsity Soccer 12

Katelynn Hanosh: JV Cheerleading 10, 11; Powder Puff 12; TV Studio 11; TEC Center 12; Choir 10

Samantha Hansen: Drama 12; Rainbow Connection 9, 10, 11, 12

Kayla Harrington: Freshmen Volleyball 9; JV Volleyball 10; Varsity Volleyball 11, 12; Powder Puff 11

Nicole Hebel: SADD 12; Book Club 12; TEC Center 11, 12

Eric Heim: JV Football 10; Varsity Football 11, 12; Track 10, 11, 12; Wrestling 9, 10, 11, 12

Jon Hermes: Freshmen Football 9; Wrestling 9

John Hintzman: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Varsity Football 11, 12; JV Baseball 10; Varsity Baseball 11, 12; Track 9; Wrestling 9, 10; NHS 12; Homecoming Court 9, 12; Pass Mentoring 12

Laura Hoag: Choir 10, 11, 12

A.J. Hoover: Freshmen Football 9; TEC Center 11, 12

Harrison House: TEC Center 12

Cody Hug: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Varsity Football 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; TV Studio 12

Kaylin Hurlburt: Freshmen Volleyball 9; JV Volleyball 10; Varsity Volleyball 11, 12; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Basketball 10; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Powder Puff 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; SADD 9, 12; Recycling Club 12; Homecoming Court 12; Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12; Pass Mentoring 12

Andrew Ialapi: Golf 11; Track 9, 10; Newspaper 11, 12; Band 9, 10, 11; Symphonic Band 9, 10, 11; Marching Band 9, 10, 11

Jennifer Jones: Yearbook 12; Band 9; Symphonic Band 9; Marching Band 9; Color Guard 9; SADD 12; Recycling Club 12; Student Council 11

Kaitlyn Kastler: Freshmen Volleyball 9; JV Volleyball 10; Varsity Volleyball 11, 12; Varsity Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; Freshmen Basketball 9; Varsity Basketball 10, 11, 12; Powder Puff 11, 12; Yearbook 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; SADD 9, 12; Homecoming Court 12; Class Officer 9, 10, 11, 12; Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12; Pass Mentoring 12

Justin Keever: Track 10; TEC Center 11, 12

Jessica Kilgore: JV Cheerleading 9; Powder Puff 11; Drama 11, 12; Yearbook 11; Quiz Bowl 11, 12; SADD 11, 12; Book Club 11, 12; Recycling Club 12

Matt Kloeffer: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Varsity Football 11; Varsity Tennis 12; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Basketball 10; Track 9, 10, 11; TV Studio 11; Quiz Bowl 11, 12; SADD 12; Book Club 12; Recycling Club 10, 12; Homecoming Court 12; Student Council 12

Alyssa Kozlowski: Freshmen Volleyball 9; JV Volleyball 11; Varsity Volleyball 12; JV Softball 9, 10; Varsity Softball 11, 12; Rainbow Connection 9; Book Club 12; Yearbook 12

Kyle LaParl: Varsity Soccer 9; Varsity Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 11; Newspaper 12

Sarah LaPlante: Powder Puff 11; Newspaper 10; SADD 12; Recycling Club 12; TEC Center 12

Sarah Lapp: SADD 12; TEC Center 12

Danielle Lee: Track 9; Band 9

Harmony Lehotsky: Equestrian Team 9, 12; Yearbook 12; Band 9, 10; Symphonic Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10

Brad LeRoy: TEC Center 11

Danielle Lipa: JV Cheerleading 9, 10; JV Softball 10, 11; Band 9; Symphonic Band 9; Marching Band 9; Color Guard 9; NHS 12; SADD 12; Student Council 12; TEC Center 11, 12; Health Occupations Students of America 11, 12

Simone Lorin: TEC Center 11, 12

Gordon Marcinkoske: Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Wrestling 9, 10; Drama 11, 12; Newspaper 10, 12

Michael Marotta: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Varsity Football 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Symphonic Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Quiz Bowl 11; Recycling Club 12

Amanda Martin: Track 9, 10, 12; Equestrian Team 12; NHS 11, 12; Quiz Bowl 9, 10, 11, 12; SADD 9; Mock Trial 11

Julia Martin: JV Cheerleading 10; Varsity Cheerleading 11; Yearbook 12; Rainbow Connection 10, 11, 12; Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; Pass Mentoring 12

Mishel May: Powder Puff 11, 12; Quiz Bowl 9, 10, 11, 12; SADD 9

Dominick Mayle: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Varsity Football 11, 12; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Baseball 9, 10; Varsity Baseball 11, 12; Drama 12; TV Studio 12; Homecoming Court 12

John McBride: Varsity Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12

Sarah McIntosh: Freshmen Volleyball 9; JV Volleyball 10; Varsity Volleyball 11, 12; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Basketball 10; JV Softball 9; Varsity Softball 10, 11, 12; Powder Puff 11, 12; Yearbook 12; Homecoming Court 9, 10, 12

Sandra Menkel: Yearbook 11; SADD 12; TEC Center 12

Nicholas Milantoni: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Varsity Football 11; Varsity Tennis 12; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Basketball 10; Varsity Basketball 12; JV Baseball 9, 10; Varsity Baseball 11, 12; Newspaper 12; Book Club 12

Jonathan Mitchell: Freshmen Football 9; Varsity Tennis 9, 10, 11; Newspaper 12; Quiz Bowl 12; Mock Trial 11, 12; Recycling Club 12

Tommy Moehlman: Cross Country 12; Varsity Tennis 10, 11, 12; JV Baseball 9; Golf 9, 10; Track 11, 12; Yearbook 11; Newspaper 12; Mock Trial 11; Extreme Team 12

Alexandra Molletti: Varsity Tennis 10, 11, 12; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Basketball 10; Track 9; Powder Puff 11, 12; Yearbook 11, 12; NHS 12; SADD 12; Homecoming Court 12; Sargent of Arms/ Class Officer 12; Student Council 11, 12

Nick Morris: Cross Country 12; Track 11, 12; Newspaper 12; TEC Center 11, 12

Dominic Moscone: Cross Country 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 10; Wrestling 9, 10; Drama 12; TV Studio 11; Band 9, 10; Symphonic Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10

Clinton Neuner: Varsity Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12; Golf 10; TV Studio 12

Wei Nong: Homecoming Court 10, 12; TEC Center 11, 12

Christopher Orchard: Freshmen Football 9; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Basketball 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Wrestling 10, 12; TEC Center 11

Abigail Pak: Drama 12; Quiz Bowl 12

Andrew Paquette: Band 9, 10; Symphonic Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10; TEC Center 12; Work Studies 12

Cassandra Paulun: Drama 12; Rainbow Connection 11, 12; Student Council 12

Tony Perhogan: TEC Center 11, 12

Tyler Peters: JV Football 10; Cross Country 11, 12; Varsity Soccer 9; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Band 9, 10; Symphonic Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10; Homecoming Court 12

Jenna Phillips: Rainbow Connection 9, 10, 11, 12; Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; Pass Mentoring 12

Shelby Piper: JV Cheerleading 9; Varsity Cheerleading 9, 10, 11; Band 9; Symphonic Band 9; Marching Band 9

Erik Pokoj: JV Football 10; Track 9, 12

Raquel Prinziavalli: Rainbow Connection 11

Josh Rivard: Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Drama 11; Yearbook 12; Newspaper 10, 11; TV Studio 11; NHS 11, 12; Quiz Bowl 11, 12; Mock Trial 12; Recycling Club 11; Student Council 12; Extreme Team 9, 10, 11, 12; Principal's Advisory 9

Stacy Rix: Varsity Tennis 10, 11, 12; JV Basketball 9, 10; Varsity Basketball 11, 12; Track 9; Powder Puff 11, 12; Band 9; Symphonic Band 9; Marching Band 9; NHS 11, 12; SADD 9, 10, 12; Homecoming Court 9, 12; Class Officer 9, 10, 11, 12; Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12

Jessica Rose: Freshmen Basketball 9; Powder Puff 11; Yearbook 12; Recycling Club 11, 12; Student Council 12; Book Club 12

Brooke Ruhlman: Freshmen Volleyball 9; JV Volleyball 10; Varsity Volleyball 11; Varsity Soccer 9, 10; Freshmen Basketball 9; Varsity Basketball 10; Powder Puff 11, 12; Yearbook 10, 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; SADD 10, 12; Student Council 10, 11, 12

Logan Sankuer: Mock Trial 12

Rachel Schreck: Varsity Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; Powder Puff 11, 12; Newspaper 10, 11, 12; Band 9; Symphonic Band 9; Marching Band 9; NHS 11, 12; SADD 12; Mock Trial 11, 12

Ronnie Schroeder: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Varsity Football 12; JV Basketball 10; Track 11; NHS 11, 12

Kimberly Schultz: Choir 9, 10, 11, 12

Kristin Schultz: JV Cheerleading 9; Varsity Cheerleading 9, 10, 11, 12; Powder Puff 11, 12; Yearbook 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; SADD 11, 12; Student Council 11, 12; Principal's Advisory 12; Pass Mentoring 12

Zach Seigneurie: Varsity Football 12

William Servick: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Varsity Football 12; Track 11, 12; Quiz Bowl 12

Ashleigh Smith: JV Volleyball 9; Varsity Volleyball 10; Freshmen Basketball 9; Track 9, 10, 11; Powder Puff 11; Drama 11; Quiz Bowl 11; Mock Trial 10, 11, 12; Recycling Club 12

Chantelle Smith: JV Cheerleading 9; Rainbow Connection 9, 10, 11; SADD 12; Student Council 9; TEC Center 11, 12

Chase Smith: Freshmen Football 9

Nate Smith: Freshmen Football 9; Varsity Football 10, 11, 12; Wrestling 9, 10, 11, 12; Homecoming Court 12

Patrick Smith: Freshmen Football 9; Varsity Football 12

Donald Socia: Freshmen Football 9; JV Baseball 9, 10; Varsity Baseball 11, 12; Track 12

Jonathan Stubbs: Varsity Tennis 12; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Baseball 9; Golf 9, 10, 11, 12; Drama 12; Quiz Bowl 11, 12; Recycling Club 12

Craig Suppon: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Varsity Football 11, 12; Freshmen Basketball 9; JV Baseball 9, 10; Varsity Baseball 11, 12; Drama 11, 12; Newspaper 12; NHS 11, 12

Brandon Swinkey: TEC Center 11, 12

Kristen Swinson: Drama 11, 12; Book Club 11

Timothy Szczesiul: Track 10, 11

Yok Thielk: Varsity Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; Freshmen Basketball 9; TEC Center 11, 12

Britanie Thomas: Yearbook 9; TEC Center 9

Maxwell Trombly: JV Football 10; Varsity Tennis 9, 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Newspaper 10, 11, 12; Quiz Bowl 12; Recycling Club 12

Brittany Vernier: Drama 12; Rainbow Connection 10, 11, 12; SADD 12; Choir 9, 10, 11, 12

Ryan Waite: JV Football 10; Varsity Tennis 9, 11; Track 10; Band 9, 10; Symphonic Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10; Quiz Bowl 9; SADD 12; TEC Center 11, 12

Josh Walker: Freshmen Football 9; JV Football 10; Varsity Football 11, 12; Varsity Tennis 9; Track 11; Extreme Team 11

Katie Walker: Track 9, 10; Powder Puff 11; Band 9, 10, 11; Symphonic Band 9, 10, 11; Marching Band 9, 10, 11; WAVE 10; Quiz Bowl 12; SADD 12; Recycling Club 12

Paige Walsh: Drama 12; Newspaper 10; Band 9; Marching Band 9; Color Guard 9

Tony Ward: Freshmen Football 9; Freshmen Basketball 9; Varsity Basketball 12; Track 9

Brent Westley: Student Council 11, 12

Adrienne Witherspoon: JV Cheerleading 9, 10; Track 9; SADD 12; Book Club 12; TEC Center 12

William Wright: Newspaper 10

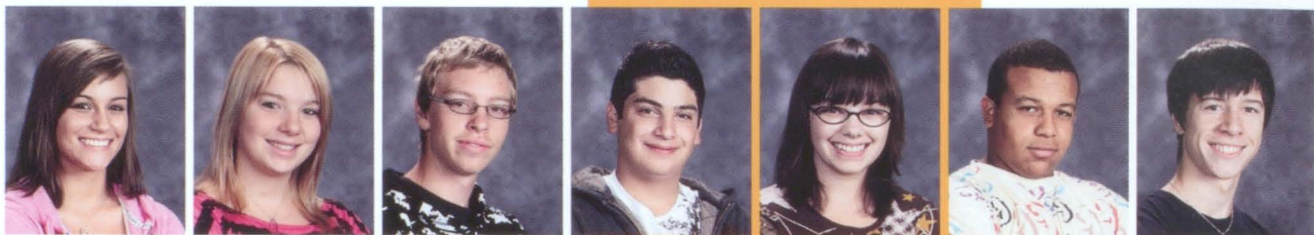
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Amanda Zaidan: JV Softball 10; Track 9; TEC Center 11, 12

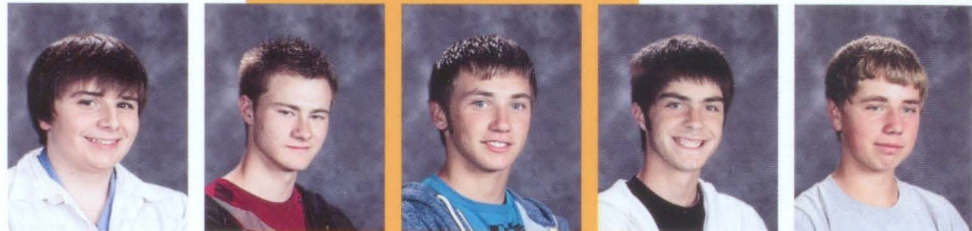
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Roberto Boyd
Joanne Brobst
Alijah Burks
Joshua Bush



Zackery Butler
Thomas Casaceli
Nicholas Chaney
Christopher Chockley
Alexander Cook



Student Council members Troy Wykowski (11), Katie Smith (11), J.P. DeBoyer (9), and Nicholas Chaney (11) talk about future ideas for their classes in one of the early morning Student Council meetings.

Recycling Club member Jessica Miller (11) works on collecting recyclables from each participating classroom to make sure the school is a clean, healthy place for students to learn.



"Ms. Burns taught me all of the important math I need to know for AP Calculus. I just like the way she teaches. She teaches more than just equations."

Joshua Bush (11).



"We ourselves"



Brian Coughlin
Dakota Dare
Michael Davis
Amanda DeGregory
Jonathan Derra
Ashley DeSandre
Michael Devlin



Brian DiMaggio
Mike Dixon
Andrea Dunlap
Ashley Edwards
Sarah Essenmacher
Sarah Fidler
David Finley



Lauren Fisher
Melissa Flood
Rachel Flum
Christopher Gerow
Garrett Gingas

It's all in what you do

Many juniors feel the pressure to get involved. Fortunately for them there are many clubs and organizations available for them to get involved in. Those clubs and organizations include: National Honor Society, Recycling Club, Student Council, SADD, Book Club, Mock Trial, and Quiz Bowl.

In SADD, (Students Against Destructive Decisions), students try to promote awareness to their peers so they can make good decisions for themselves and help others to join them in making good decisions. "I am happy that I've done SADD for two years. It's a really exciting experience because you get to help people make better decisions," said junior Shelby Ross.

Student Council is very important in helping events and decorating the school. Junior Nick Chaney said, "Student Council is great because we form a perfect union. We really like decorating the school and organizing events."

Ever since day one of high school, students have been hounded to get involved in school and community activities in order to have something to highlight their college applications.



Recycling club members Lauren Fisher (11) and Max Trombly (12) pick up bottles around the school to keep a healthy environment.

During a SADD meeting, Megan Fisher (12), Ricci Turner (11), and Ashley DeSandre (11) participate in discussions highlighting holiday awareness relating to safe decisions.



must be the change we want to see in the world."
-Mohammed Gandhi

While getting a pop from the pop machine, Lindsay Reid (11) is disappointed when she notices all the choices are diet. "I personally hate diet pop. The taste of it isn't that great," said Reid (11).

After standing in the long line for lunch, Joey Dugan (11) finally gets his sub made fresh by Mrs. Kim Baxter. "The subs are one of the best healthier choices we have," said Dugan (11).



"I like salad for lunch the best. They are always really good, and a healthy choice for lunch."

**Julie Ruemenapp
(11)**



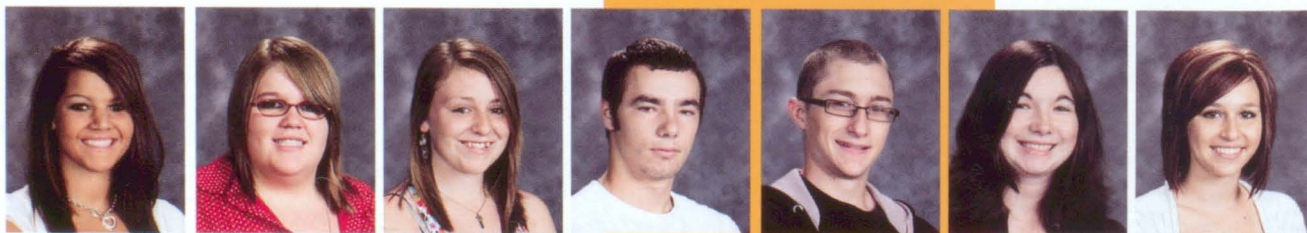
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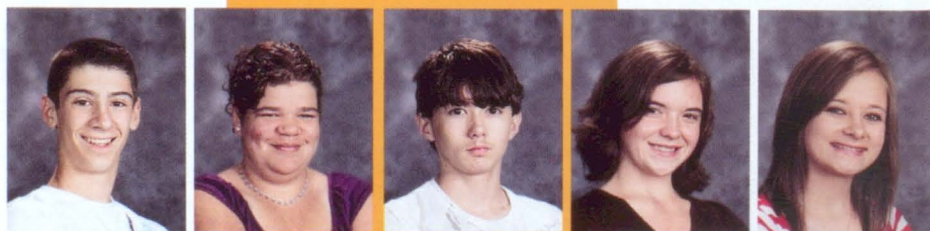
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Harrison House
Ruth Irish
Savannah Jack



Devin Kaatz
Jaimie Keever
Nathen Knibble
Karlle Kroetsch
Sarah Kruczynski



Healthy Changes for Hungry Teens

As a high school student, it seems as though the days become so routine that thinking is barely necessary to move from one class period to the next. The one thing that breaks up the monotony is lunch. It is, seemingly, the only time of the day during which students are allowed to have a choice in what they are subjected to. Yet, many students still find things to complain about.

This year many changes were made to the menu, making it healthier for everyone. The changes seen this year include having all diet pop in the machines, the salt being taken away, and payment is now required for other condiments. "There is always a huge line for the sandwiches. It's probably one of the best things we have for lunch," said junior Kyle Madaj.

These changes are not just in our school but in all schools around us as well. The government is enforcing it so that all schools can be healthier. This decision may not please students, but it is something being done in the best interest of all kids.



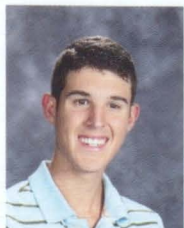
After eating lunch, Amber Ballard (11) and Rachelle Stephenson (11) talk about their days. "Most of the lunches are great, but some could be better," said Ballard (11).

Instead of dealing with all the school choices, Ruth Irish (11), Ricci Turner (11), and Julia Waite (11) decide to bring lunches from home.

heart is at ease, the body
is healthy." —Chinese Proverb



Steve Kuhr
Caitlin LaLonde
Andrea Lampe
Derik Lauland
Olivya Lehman
Janine Lewandoski
Zachary Lowes



Matthew Mauchline
Zachary McGee
Alexandra Mercadante
James Mihalich
Alyssa Miller
Jessica Miller
Jenay Moran



Jonathan Murray
Patrick Mytinger
Nicole Nader
Anthony Nemeth
Edward Niemczura
Ben Nugent

Taylor Pauley
Candice Paulun
David Perry
Chance Petrovich
Aaron Pfeiffer
Margaret Phillips
Ronald Plichta



Danielle Radulski
Ryan Reed
Briana Rhodes
Zachary Richardson
Robin Rogers
Susan Rohn
Shelby Ross



Julie Ruemenapp
Vincent Rush
Austin Rust
Paige Sadlowski
Samantha Sawyer



"Alex Mercandante and I have been best friends since kindergarten. We like to dance and make pancakes at three in the morning," said Amanda DeGregory (11). Alex and Amanda show affection for one another symbolizing their friendship.

Best friends Shannon Love (11) and David Finley (11) share a pleasant conversation while buying a water at a pop machine. "Shannon and I have been best friends for a while," said David Finley (11).



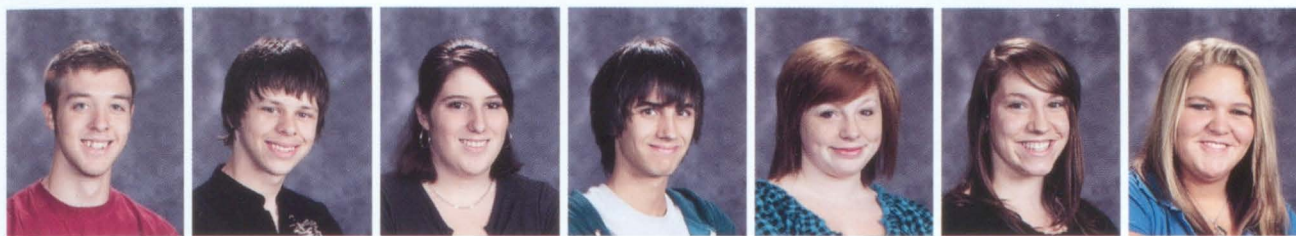
"Bobby Boyd inspires me the most. He doesn't let him being a minority get to him. He's my best friend and I'm happy I have him to look up to."

Austin Rust (11) "A friend is one of things you can have





Carl Schell
Savannah Schippert
Hannah Schmidt
Christy Schoenherr
Nathan Scott
Mikayla Sears
Nathan Sears



Cody Seigneurie
Jared Senchuk
Kristen Sharow
Jacob Sikorski
Alivia Siladke
Katie Smith
Kellie Smith



Jahnesa Soring
Kevin Staffhorst
Anthony Steffen
Sarah Stegman
Christopher Stephenson

Lean on Me

Friends are an important part of high school. For each student, friendship means something different. To most people, a friend is somebody you can count on to always be there. They can make you laugh and know how to cheer you up.

Most students have best friends. "To me, a best friend is having someone who is close to you that you can always rely on. Friendship is an important part of my life because it's important to me to know that someone will always be there for me if I ever get into trouble," said junior Zach Richardson. Some people have been best friends with somebody since before they can even remember. Jon Derra and I have been best friends since kindergarten. We like listening to country music and getting into some trouble. We can get pretty loud together, but we always have fun," said junior Devin Kaatz. Best friends make high school easier to get through because you always have them by your side.



Devin Kaatz (11) carries his best friend Jon Derra (11), showing everyone how they always have each others' back.

Ashley DeSandre (11) and Margaret Phillips (11) do their secret handshake before class.



the nicest

and one of the best things you can be."

-Douglas Pagels

Julia Waite (11) works in the hallway, while preparing for an upcoming test in Mr. Jim Baker's Government class. "I like studying in the hall because it's quieter and it makes it easier to work on things," said Waite.

Mr. Steven Koch helps Brian Coughlin (11), Jon Murray (11), and Austin Wirgau (11) with their stories for Newspaper. "I like having Newspaper as a class because writing is always an interesting subject for me," said Wirgau.

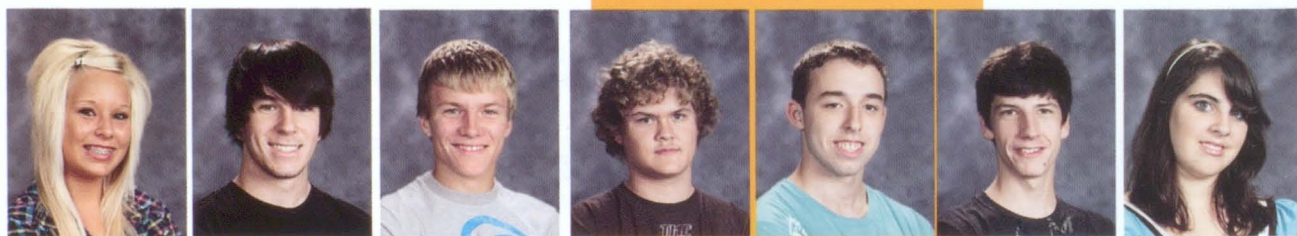


"If I could be teacher for the day, I would definitely be Mr. Highstreet because he has a lot of authority as a teacher and does what he wants."

Bobby Boyd (11)



Rachelle Stephenson
Richard Stewart
Chad Surdey
Ben Terry
John Thielk
Trevor Thomas
Samantha Tiano



Jordyn Turner
Ricci Turner
Tyler Uhl
Matt VanSlambrouck
Drew Viohl
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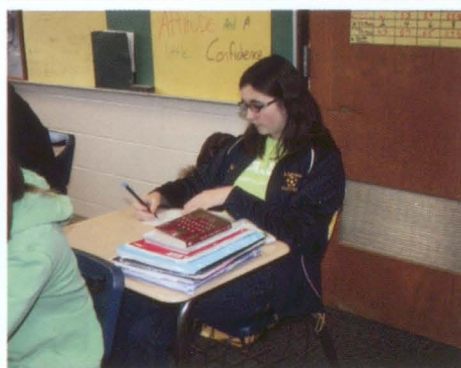
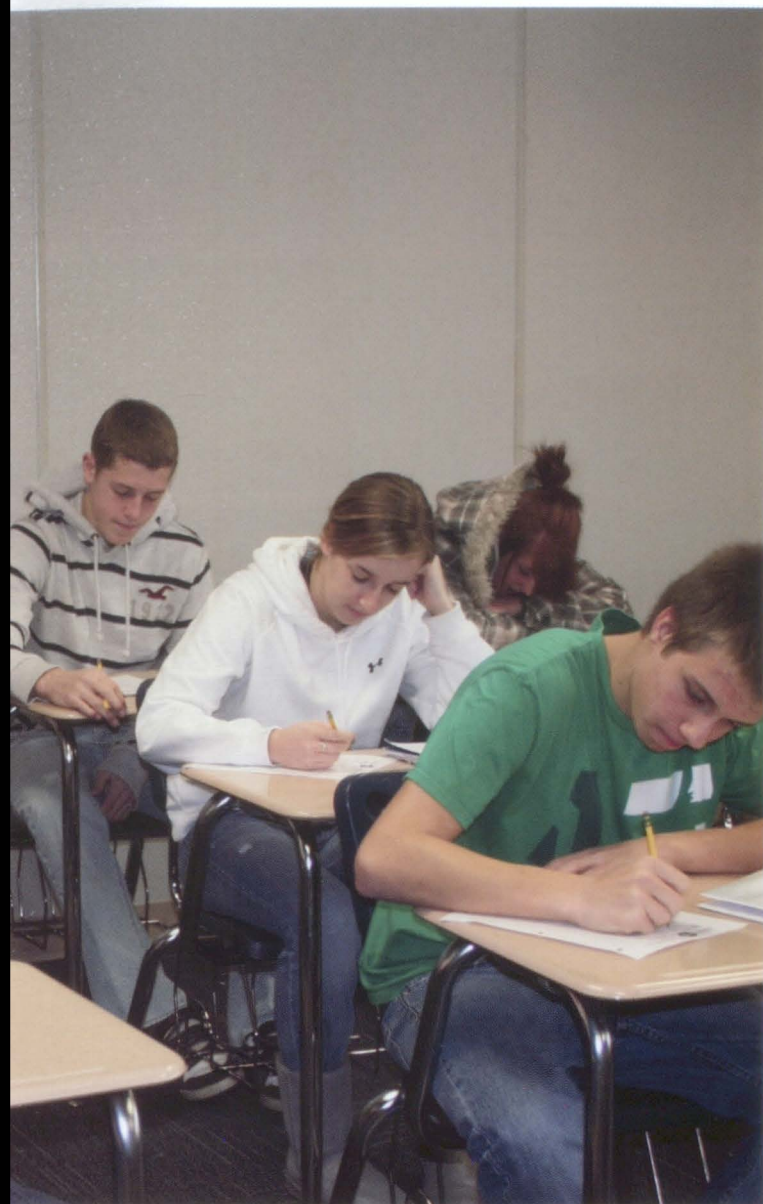
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Matthew Wilson
Rachel Winquest



Juniors face Challenges

Junior year brings many new things to the school year for the class of 2011. It's filled with a lot of practice tests and college visits. "It's like we blinked and now we are already juniors," said junior Kellie Smith. Time goes by so fast, and a lot of things are getting accomplished for the future. This year is very crucial for students to buckle down and to get serious about school and the future. When March comes along it's ACT time and that always causes a lot of stress for the junior class. "The worst part of being a junior is that the classes are way more difficult, and it's time for the ACT," said junior Hannah Schmidt.

Of course, many think all classes are difficult, which is true because a lot of what the teachers are teaching is preparation for the ACT. The teachers seem to challenge students more as juniors to work hard and get better grades because they know that colleges look back at your records to see what type of student you were. "The best part of being a junior is that we are almost seniors, and then we can graduate and go to college," said junior Zac McGee.



Working on their warm-ups for Core IV Honors, Patrick Mytinger (11), Janine Lewandoski (11), and Zach Richardson (11) get a head start on the problems before the class begins.

"I actually do my warm-ups because they are good practice for the math portion of the ACT," said Ruth Irish (11).



Austin Wirgau
Troy Wykowski
Dana Zielinski

"The **true** measure

of a **man** is not how he behaves
in **moments** of comfort and convenience
but how he **stands** at times of
controversy and **challenges**."

-Martin Luther King Jr

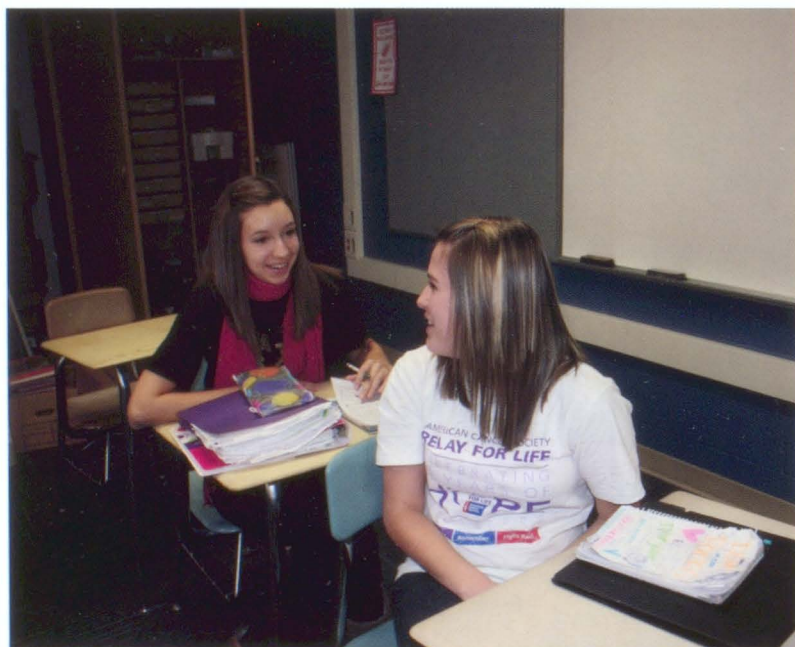
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Samantha Bloink
Shelby Bommarito
Jonathon Brockley
Thomas Brooks



Melissa Burelle
Nathan Bush
Alex Canchola
James Case
Veronica Casey
David Casper
Chase Chauvin



During class, Marcie Ialapi (10) and Lauren Fett (10) chat about their school day. Many students love having classes with their friends so they can catch up.

With her phone always in her pocket, Veronica Casey (10) texts her friends to see if they have plans for the night. "I honestly don't know what I would do without my phone!" said Casey.



"I like texting because my friends always have their phones on them so I can usually get a hold of them easily. I'm a fast texter and I like how the new phones have keyboards!"

Brittany Colotti
(10)



"When



Daniel Chauvin
Gregory Chicosky
Amy Chockley
Brett Clarke
Deanna Clemons
Brittany Colotti
Kacie Combs



Chareese Danis
Collin Davey
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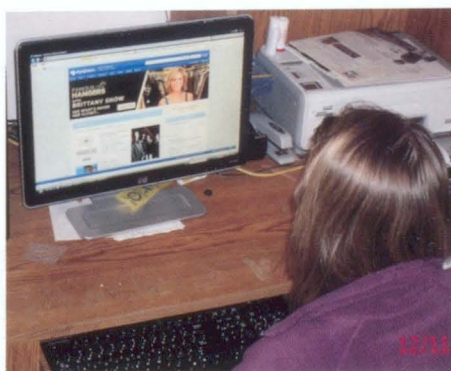
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William Emrick
Lauren Fett
Skylar Finkey



Only a Click Away

All sophomores know the rule: no cell phones in the classroom, but once the bell rings at the end of the day, students are already whipping out their phones and signing in online. Keeping in touch with friends is very important to sophomores. "It's easy for me to talk to my friends because they are always online," said sophomore Emily Girardin. Ways of communication such as texting and Facebook are becoming much more popular as the years go by.

There are many different forms of communication that sophomores favor. Some students still even enjoy just picking up their phones and calling their friends. Sophomore Kyle Borchardt said, "I prefer to call my friends. It's boring to just sit in front of the computer." While some students are chatting on the phone, others are busy instant messaging, commenting each other's MySpace pages, or updating their status on Facebook. No matter the source, there's always a way for sophomores to keep in touch.



Without a license, Evan Melick (10) calls for a ride home. Cell phones are always handy when in a sticky situation.

Scrolling along, Desirae Gouine (10) enjoys going on MySpace to keep in touch with her old and new friends.

people talk, listen completely."
—Ernest Hemingway

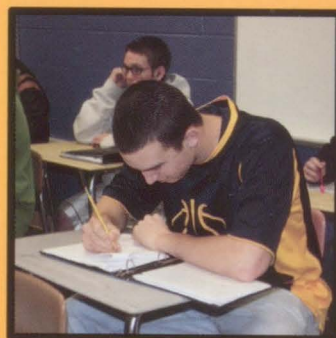
Learning the writing process follows specific routines. Chase Chauvin (10) and Chloe Huard (10) focus on the revision step. Green pens are always used to make corrections prior to preparing the final draft. Following an exact process helps students improve writing skills.

Same table, same food, Tyler Loneragan (10) and Mason Wenglasz (10), find that the burgers are on the menu on a daily basis at lunch. With burgers as a favorite food, this means that there is always something to eat every day.



"I come to school and go to all my classes. When I'm done with school I go to my basketball practice and then go home. When I'm finally home I do my homework. After all of that I watch football and go to bed."

Collin Davey (10)



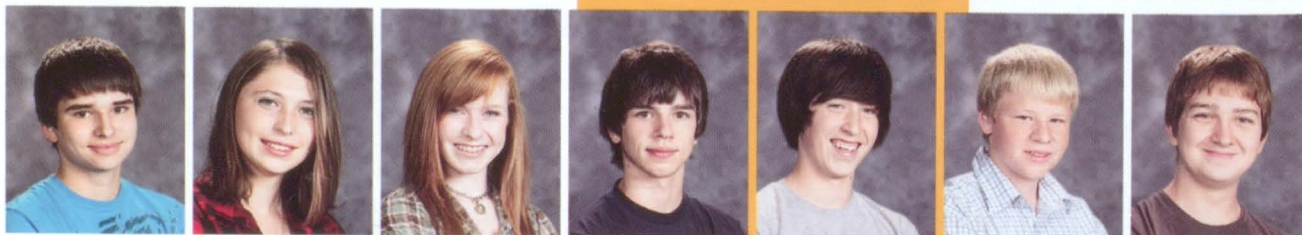
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Nicole Gafa
Lauren Galdys
Brent Garrett
Emily Girardin
Desirae Gouine



Keegan Greer
Shelby Gulette
Chelsey Hart
Ryan Henstock
David Hetzel
Charles Hickey
Matthew Hines



Dillon Hinkle
Sarah Hoag
Michelle Hollingsworth
Chloe Huard
Marcie Ialapi
Abrielle Irwin
James Johns



routines come back very easily.
We do it off the top of our heads."
-Jerry Stiller

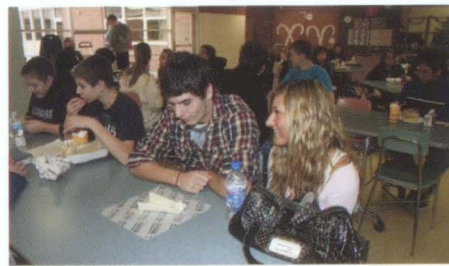
Day to Day Routines

Same place, same people, same classes. Everyday has routines. For sophomores, most days begin the same way. Sophomore Shelby Bommarito said, "I take a shower and brush my teeth then I start to get ready." Shyla McCullough has a different routine. "I wake up and check my phone and then I take a shower," she said.

Once in school, classes take a distinctive routine. Sophomore Desirae Gouine said, "In Mrs. Gregg's U.S. History class, we do warm ups every day." Sophomore Jenna Orlando said, "I study for my vocab quiz for Mrs. Turrell. We write the words out on Monday and then take the quiz on Friday."

Lunch table routines also bring a sense of sameness. Sophomore Sarah Hoag said, "I sit with Kayla Smith, Abby Irwin, Amanda Rock, Joey Dickens, Tyler Lonergan, Mason Wenglasz, and Evan Melick. We laugh all through our lunch period."

Routines are a part of each day. From morning to evening, we find that we like the security of having a schedule and doing things the same.



Media Center routines include logging on to the computer prior to starting research for Brittany Colotti (10), Sam Zaidan (10), Matt Wilburn (10) and Brett Clark (10).

Chad Manning (10), Andrea Barney (10), and Trace Petrovich (10), sit at the same place each day and usually get subs for lunch.



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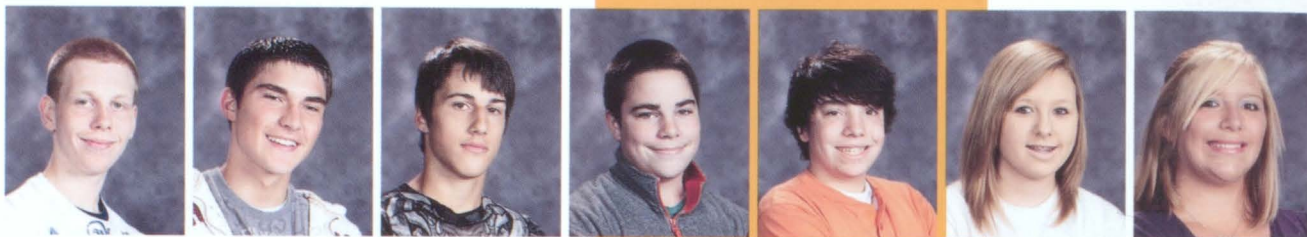
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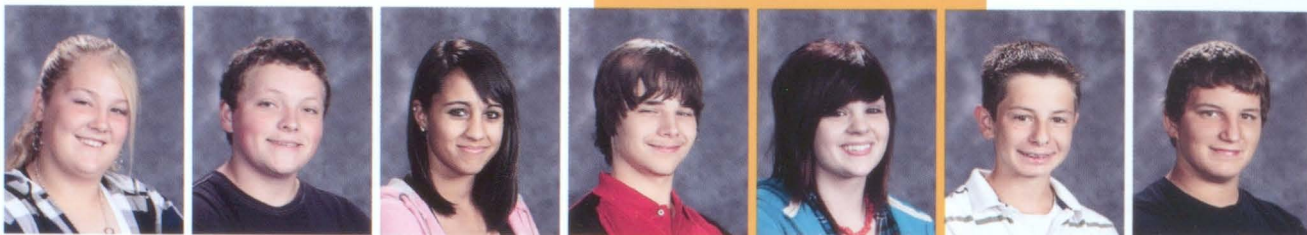
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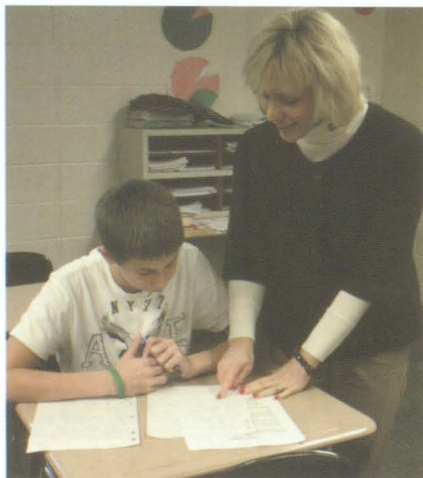


Vanessa Nugent
Kevin O'Brien
Jenna Orlando
Andrew Ostrowski
Kristin Peters
Trace Petrovich
James Phillips



Role models are even seen out on the field. Will Emrick (10) and Kyle Borchardt (10) take a minute to talk to coaches James Baker and Craig Cassidy about keeping up their hard work. "They were always positive and kept us strong. I don't think we could have asked for better coaches," said Emrick.

Some students look up to their teachers for help and support. Mrs. Cheyl Scharnweber explains to Trace Petrovich (10) about the importance of learning and understanding the use of proper grammar.



"My cousin Michelle is one of my role models. I always look forward to seeing her at holidays. We're really close."

Marissa McCann
(10)



"People
never
improve"



Cody Presbey
Shelby Rameses
Victoria Reed
Steven Renshaw
Tori Rhoades
Bailey Roberts
Amanda Rock



Alyssa Rogers
Emilee Rollison
Morgan Rorah
Kevin Rumancik
Frank Sass
Alyssa Schafer
Michaela Schippert



Mikey Schutt
Kirsten Seidl
Ariel Senkmajer
Samantha Shearer
Justin Smith
Kayla Smith
Elizabeth Sorrell

Inspiring Everyone

As sophomores start to grow older, role models begin to have a larger impact on their lives. Many sophomores look up to people who are close to them, whether it's a family member, a teacher or a coach. "My role model is my sister, Savannah. She's always there for me," said sophomore Michaela Schippert. It's important to have role models. They are the people that make us who we are and the people who we admire and respect.

To each person, a role model has different qualities. Sophomore Jacob Moehlman said, "I think a good role model is someone who is inspiring and liked by many people." Other qualities consist of being truthful, supportive and caring. Some sophomore's role models are even under the same roof as them. "I love my mom. She looks at the important things in life and is very understanding," said sophomore Julia McKee. Role models will stick with the sophomores throughout their remaining high school years and even possibly throughout their lives.



Guiding her through her homework, Michaela Schippert (10) always has her sister Savannah (11) by her side.

Celebrity, Ryan Reynolds is Sara Trombly's (10) role model. "He runs marathons for Parkinson's disease and I mean, how can you not smile when you see Ryan Reynolds!" said Trombly.

unless they look to some standard or example higher
and better than themselves."

— Tyron Edwards

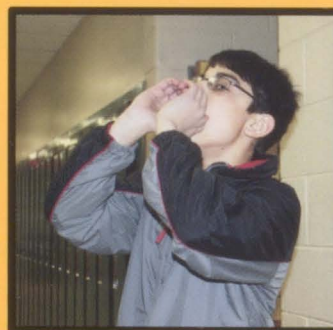
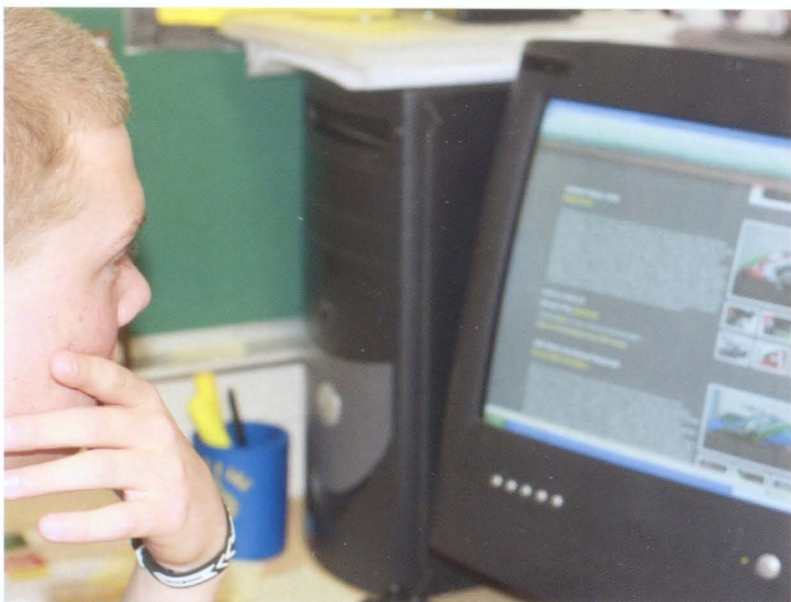
Ally Whitman can't wait to show off her new board this winter. "I love snowboarding so much! It's my favorite sport and I'm really dedicated to it. I go as often as I can in the winter so I'm really looking forward to the season," said Whitman (10).

There is nothing more that Kevin Rumancik (10) loves to do than to ride his jet ski in the summer. He is currently customizing a jet ski to use. "I am very proud of my work on my jet ski," said Rumancik as he searches the internet for necessary.



"I love to go fishing because it brings the family together. When that big fish bites you forget about all of your worries."

Aaron Foster (10)



Tucker Soultaire
Jordyn Sparger
Miles Stackpoole
Amanda Stambaugh
Jacob Syrocki
Chris Talley
Brandon Thomas



Sara Trombly
Joey Van Plase
Julie Viger
Hunter Wallace
Jennifer Warwick
Bayley Weaver
Katelyn Weiller



Emily Westbrook
Shelby Westergaard
Brian Whitfield
Alison Whitman
Lindsay Widikowski
Matt Wilburn
Kyle Willey



Love is What I Got

It is not easy for many people to define love. Not just the kind of love you feel in a relationship, but also the kind of love you have for a family member or maybe a hobby that you have. Love is simply the one thing life is always worth living for.

Many people in high school are in relationships, but even when asked what love is they don't know the answer. Maybe the reason for this is because there is not a specific answer. Perhaps it's just the description of a feeling you can have. "When the power of love overcomes the love of power the world will know peace," said world famous musician Jimi Hendrix. If everyone felt love in their life, everyone would be truly happy. When people are happy there are no wars or hate. Maybe everyone should learn to love.

"Love is something that warms your heart and makes me feel great. I love my family and friends," said sophomore Keri Aures. Sophomore TJ Dueweke had the same opinion about love. He said, "Love is something that gives you a great feeling."



"I love texting so much. It's hard to follow the rules at school and not text," said Amanda Rock (10). Rock tends to get her phone taken away often. Jenna Orlando (10) loves art class, "There is nothing better than art every second hour," said Orlando while making a clay dog.

"The supreme happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved."

— Victor Hugo



Austin Wilson
Colton Wirgau
Alexandra Witulski
Karl Wolf
Curtis Worley
William Wright
Josh Wrightman



Sammier Zaidan

Action may not always bring

HAPPINESS, but there is no happiness
without **ACTION**.

—Benjamin Disraeli

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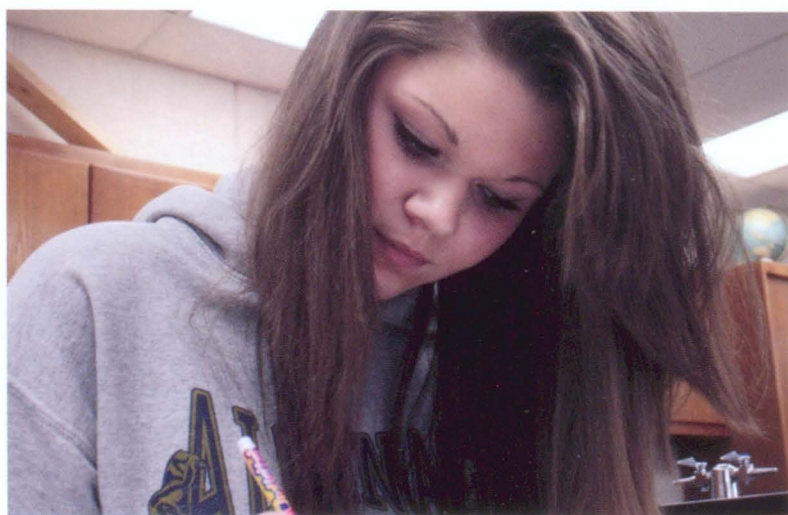
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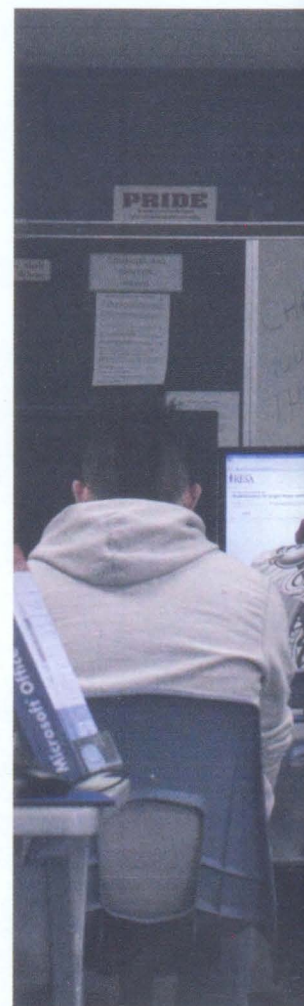
Alyssa Cope (9) works hard in Mrs. Minna Turrell's Biology I class to qualify to be IB students. "I'm interested in the IB Programme because it will help me get into a better college," said Cope.

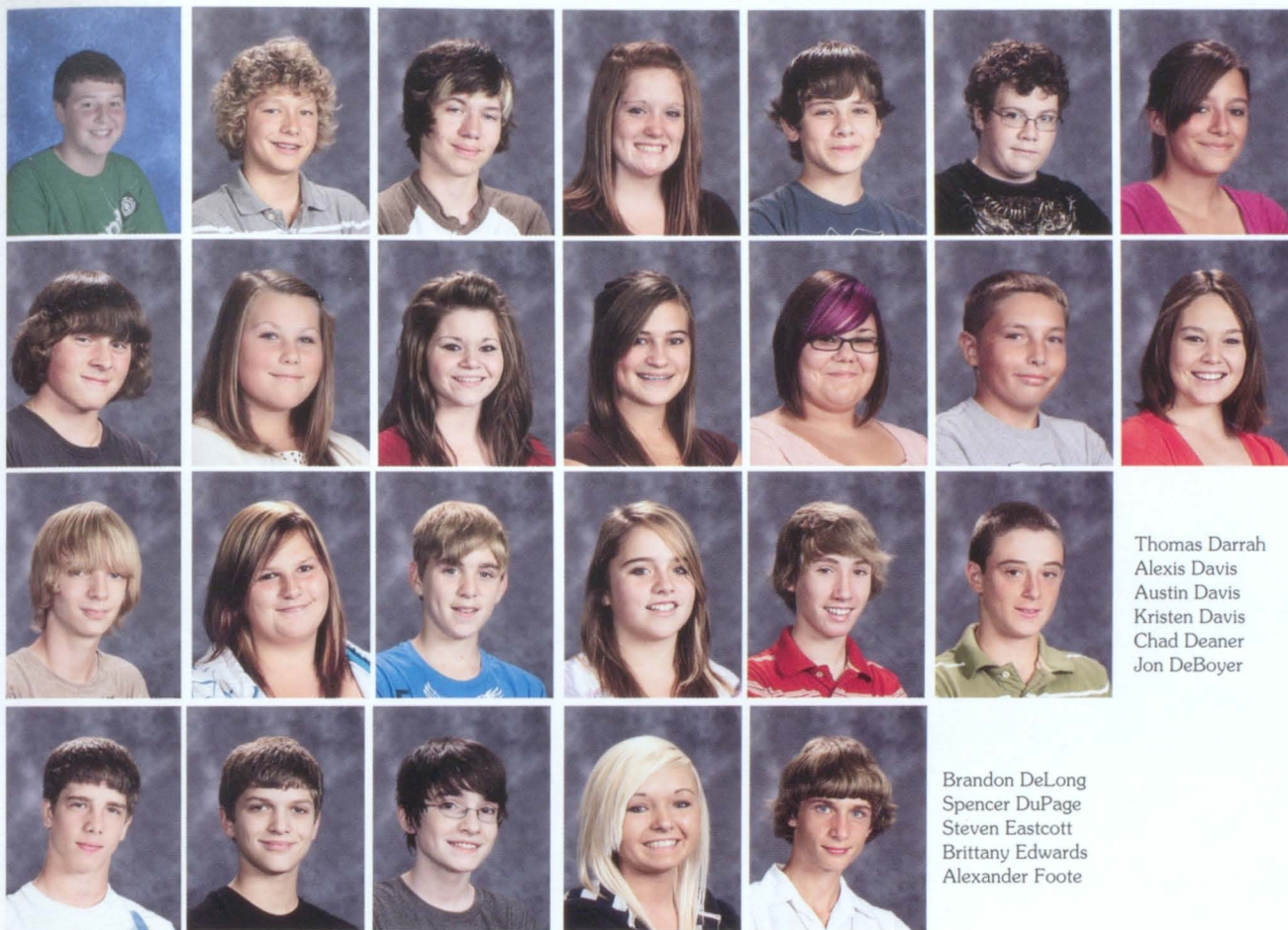
Patrick Zewatski (9) looks over his notes in Mr. Craig Cassidy's World History class to prepapre for the semester exam. "I want to be a lawyer, so it challenges my thinking so I get the answers different ways," said Zewatski.



"I want to be able to
get a diploma to go
into any college,
plus I like a
challenge."

**Meredith
Wykowski (9)**





Johnathon Brockett
Jacob Buza
Trevor Campbell
Courtney Carlson
Kevin Clapp
Scott Clark
Tristin Coll

Trevor Conrad
Charisa Cook
Allysa Cope
Valerie Cornish
Rachel Crimmins
Malcomb Curtis
Emily Darling

Thomas Darrah
Alexis Davis
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International Voices being Made

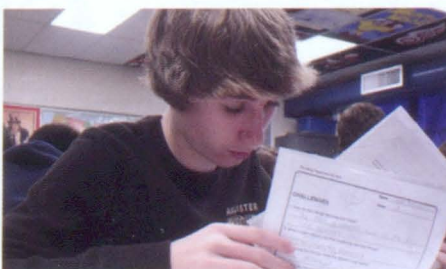
With official word arriving in December finalizing AHS as an International Baccalaureate school, the freshmen have an interesting opportunity to be on par, educationally, with the rest of the world.

Students, like Marinna Marlow, take harder classes to prepare themselves for the world outside of Algonac. "I'm taking English 9 Honors, Spanish II, and Biology to prepare for the IB Programme," said Marlow.

When the freshmen become sophomores, they have the choice of becoming IB students by taking advance classes as freshman and sophomores. When they become juniors and seniors, they begin taking the more difficult IB classes.

"I want to get into a really good college, so that's why I'm going into the IB Programme," said Elise Terry, a future IB student.

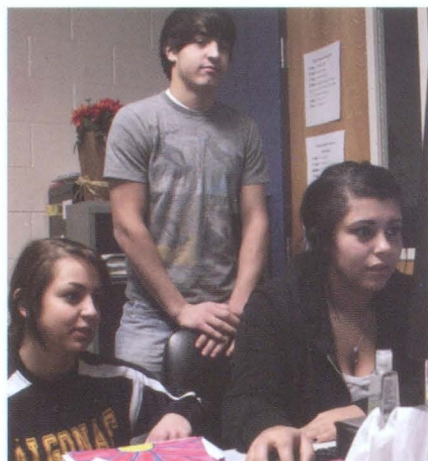
With the new opportunity of the IB Program, the class of 2014 can become one of the brightest classes of Algonac High School.



Mrs. Nicole Coss talks to the freshmen about their transcripts right before the freshmen schedule. Some of them will be taking IB classes as early as next

Chad Deaner (9) is one of the many students looking to get into the IB Programme. "I just want to get into a good college," said Deaner.

Andria Zaidan (9), Sam Zaidan (10), and Amanda Zaidan (12), all share Ms. Kelly Thomas's seminar, look online for answers to their problems. "I like having Sammy and Amanda in school with me, they can help me out if I have problems," said Andria.



Alan Milenbaugh (9) and Aaron Milenbaugh (9) look to Mr. Craig Cassidy for help with a worksheet from World History class. Both twins have the same class, but different hours. "I guess it's pretty cool being a twin, we can help each other out," said Alan.



"The night before Kristin and I had a fun time picking clothes out for mix match day."

Kelly Schultz (9)



Jake Fredericks
Sebastian Freeman
Parker Gadd
Kara Gardner
David Genaw
James Gill
Daniel Goodall



Ian Hart
Shannon Harvey
Britney Hebets
Stephanie Henry
Casey Hinkle
John Hintze
Kyle Hoover



Keith Hutchins
Sara Irish
Marina Jack
Rebecca Jackson
Cody John
Gary Jolly



Marcel Jonas
Ashley Jones
Christian Kaminski
Shelby Klein
Ronald Lane



Family Matters

Students with older siblings feel there's a certain expectation they have to live up to, which has ups and downs. Freshman Kayla Rock said, "It's intimidating to me, having my older sister in a grade above me, because she's in sports and I feel like I have to live up to her expectations." Intimidation is an intense factor in being a freshman with a sibling in an above class. Freshman Marissa Stegman said, "I don't like that the lockers are in alphabetical order and mine is next to Sarah's." Having a locker next to a sibling isn't the worst part. Freshman Ian Hart said, "The only bad part is when teachers call me Tristan, and she walks down the halls laughing at me."

The good thing is that when help is needed, they always come through. Freshman Emily Darling said, "I'm going to miss when Beth is gone, because she gives really good advice." Freshmen are picked on during the day and their siblings persistently try to make their school life miserable, but after they graduate, they will only be a missed memory in the halls.



Substitute Kim Hart, Tristan Hart (11), and Ian Hart (9) all gather around the table sharing interest in the same magazine.

Brenton Marcinkoske (9) and Gordon Marcinkoske (12) challenge each other intellectually in a game of chess in the Media Center. "It's okay having Gordon in the school, he helps me sometimes," said Brenton.



Kassandra LaParl
Terrell Lee
Olivia Levis
Andrew Lewsick
Heather Lipa
Megan Lowes
Alexandra Lutzky

Melissa Lyon
Dayna Malburg
Sean Malinowski
Maizie Mangiapane
Brenton Marcinkoske
Marinna Marlow
Josh Maxson

Devon Mayle
Alecia McKeenan
Anna Megel
Cassandra Meldrum
William Meldrum
Alexa Migliore

Aaron Milenbaugh
Alan Milenbaugh
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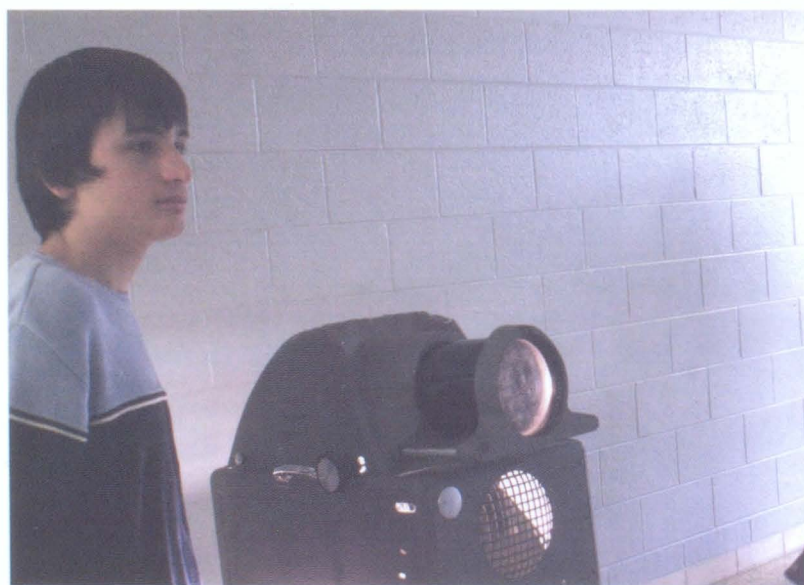
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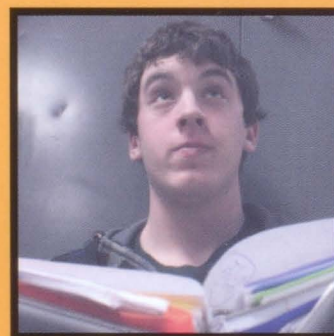


Kenny Schultz
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Summer Seczawa
Kayla Sharrow
Paul Sherrill



Using the projector, Michael Westley (9) is able to enlarge a picture so he can complete one of his art projects. "We got to use some different items, like the scaling machine, and I enjoy drawing," said Westley.

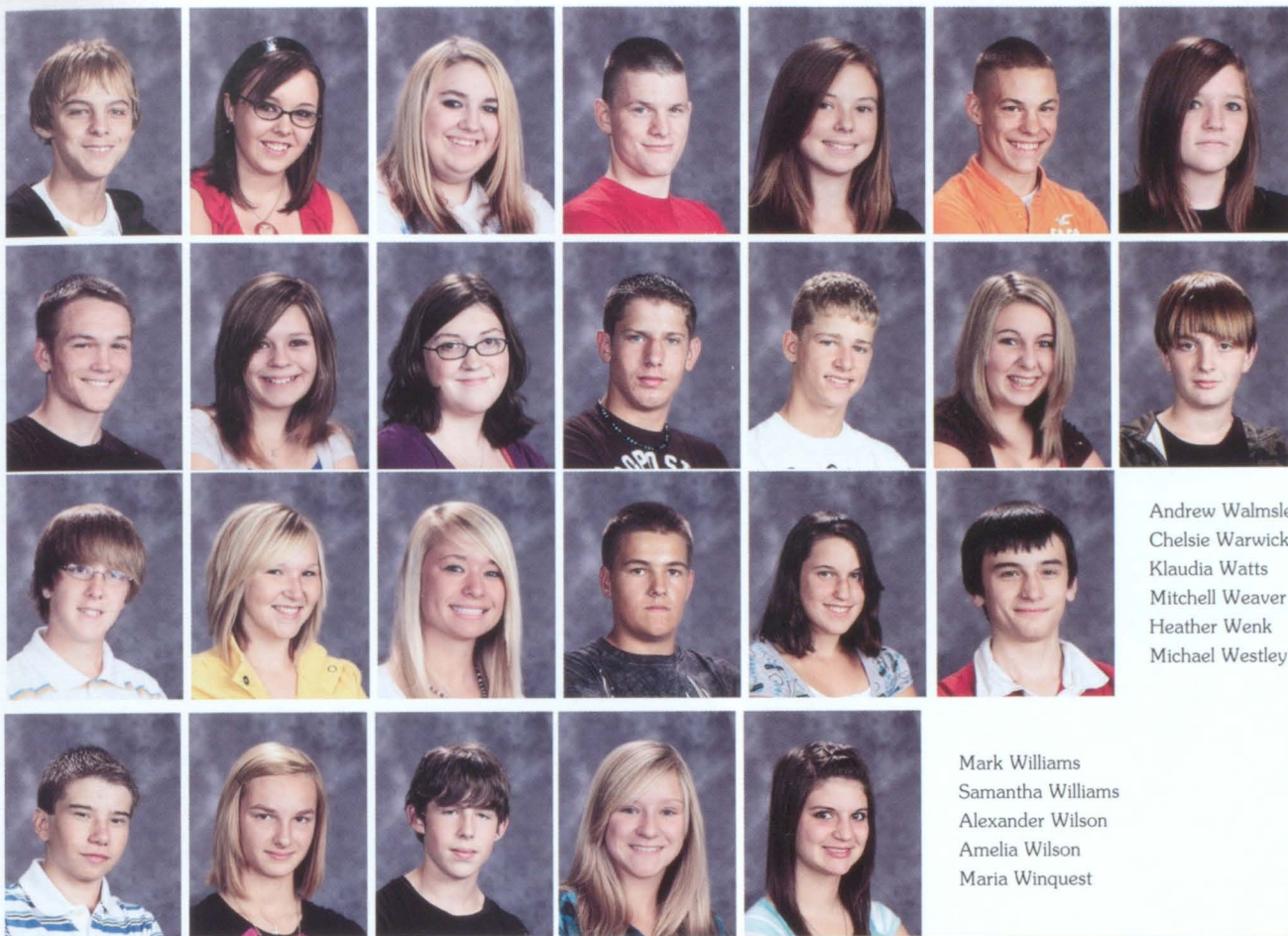
Joelle Roberts (9) works on her "Yo Gabba Gabba" project for Mr. Greg Jones's Art Class. "I get to draw what I want, and that's pretty interesting," said Roberts.



"We had a lot of fun making the medieval video, I remembered a lot more than just through notes."

**Christian
Kaminske (9)**





Nicholas Sheufelt
Angela Simmons
Hailey Smith
Zach Stacy
Marissa Stegman
Cody Strassburg
Chloe Swensen

Justin Teneyck
Stephanie Tercha
Elise Terry
Darrin Teschler
James Trebilcock
Amber Trombley
Jacob Turner

Andrew Walmsley
Chelsie Warwick
Klaudia Watts
Mitchell Weaver
Heather Wenk
Michael Westley

Mark Williams
Samantha Williams
Alexander Wilson
Amelia Wilson
Maria Winquest

Midday Voices

When third hour hits for the freshman, they know they are halfway through the day. They now have a lunch period to look forward to, the morning to look back upon, and an hour of activities to participate in.

Some freshmen head to Mr. Greg Jones's Art class to brush up on their artistic abilities. Drawing fantastic portraits, or doodling whatever is on their mind; they are given artistic freedom.

Other freshmen would rather learn the history of the world in Mr. Craig Cassidy's World History class. Making video projects, they got to learn of the medieval era. Students also got to watch the movie 300 to learn about ancient Sparta and the Battle of Thermopylae.

Learning about past life doesn't interest some freshmen, so they look to Mrs. Minna Turrell's Biology I class, where they can learn about life in action. These kids get to participate in labs where they see life in action. "We did a lab dealing with our lungs, so we got to play with balloons," said freshman Allysa Cope.

Freshmen also head to Mr. William Kiehler's Core II Honors Math class, Mr. Scott McIntyre's English 9 class, or Mrs. Michelle Landrum's Software I class. When the hour is up, they pack up their items, and head to fourth hour to take another step forward in finishing their day.

Nick Sheufelt (9) heads to his World History class dressed up for Occupation Day. At 9:43 A.M. third hour starts and the day is officially half over.

Shane Odzark (9) looks over his work as a Ray Bradbury movie plays in Mr. Scott McIntyre's English 9 class.



Jeff Ruemenapp (9) tests his pulse in Mrs. Minna Turrell's Biology I class. "High school's a little harder, but I like it here. We did some cool labs in Ms. Turrell's," said Ruemenapp. The freshmen have a more "hands on" approach in their high school science classes.



Zach Osborne (9) and James Trebilcock (9) work together on a practice worksheet in Mr. William Kiehler's Core II Math class. Freshmen often pair up on worksheets to complete them more quickly.



"Since coming to high school my study habits have changed a lot. I used to never study, now I do every week."

Amelia Wilson (9)



Austin Witting
Alexandra Wolff
Michael Worden
Carrie-Anne Wyatt
Meredith Wykowski
Sean Yost
Andria Zaidan



Growing up is **NEVER** easy.
You **HOLD ON** to things that were.
You wonder what's to **COME**.

A New Perspective

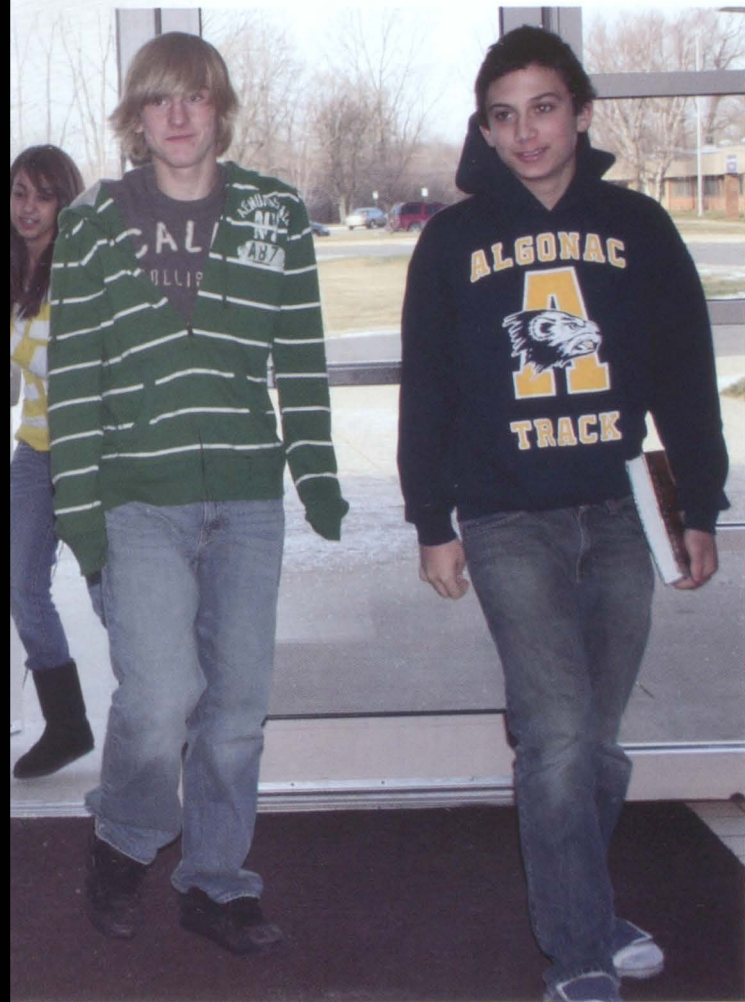
Going from the top rung, to the bottom, the freshmen start new with their first days at Algonac High School.

Some freshmen find it easy to switch gears, like Stephanie Tercha. "High school seems so much better and quicker to adjust to because everyone has matured and it's easier to get along with everyone," said Tercha.

Others find the change in workload a bit harder because of the major differences from Algonquin. Some of the changes, can be stressful and freshmen have to find their own ways to deal with the stress.

Some enjoy the melody of their favorite musicians, watching their favorite television shows, or just taking breaks. "I usually take a break when I need them so I don't get too stressed out," said Jacquelyn Saums.

The freshmen have to find ways to deal with the transitions and dealing with all the stress, while still being scholars. High school is a big change, and everyone adjusts in their own way.



Stepping into the high school, Ally Lutzky (9), Andria Zaidan (9), Joe Bonam (9), and James Ruhlman (9) get ready to further their education.

Ashley Jones (9) thinks about her exam review in Mr. Craig Cassidy's World History Class. "Sometimes I read when I'm stressed," said Jones.



Samantha Zakalowski
Haylie Zalewski
Patrick Zewatski
Sarah Zuccaro

With four **PROMISING** years ahead of you, time sat around like huge clumps of clay, **WAITING** for **YOU** to shape them in whatever way you pleased.

—Malik Wilson

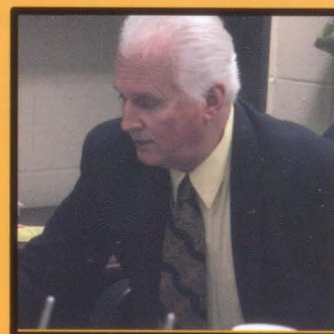
All the new changes this year, came with many administrative changes, with a new principal, Mr. Brian Brutyn, and Mr. Al Latosz becoming Assistant Superintendent. "I really enjoy learning what I'm learning right now in my new job title, but I'm also finding it extremely challenging. I definately miss working around the students all the time though," said Latosz.

During School Board Appreciation month, Principal Brian Brutyn and Athletic Director Jamie Thiede participate in the presentation of the IB certificate.



Algonac Community Schools Board of Education: Front Row: Sharon Stiltner, Secretary; Michael Sharrow, Superintendent; LeRoy Bristol, Vice President; Bud Hulewicz, Treasurer; Second Row: Timothy Idzikowski, Trustee; Andrew Goulet, President; Edward Stanilus, Trustee; Michael Baranowski, Trustee

IB coordinator, Mrs. Rachelle Wynkoop, presents very useful information regarding the new IB Programme.



"This is the best job I've had yet. I really enjoy working with high school students."

Mr. Sam Dobbs





Mr. Michael Sharrow
Superintendent
Mr. Al Latosz
Assistant Superintendent
Ms. Lori Holderby
Director of Business Services
Mr. Brian Brutyn
Principal
Mr. Jamie Thiede
Athletic Director/Assistant
Principal



Board members Andrew Goulet (President), Michael Sharrow (Superintendent), and LeRoy Bristol (Vice President), briefly review paperwork relating to bond updates at the January 18th meeting.

"Some positive things going on in the district are the IB Program at the high school, the Gender Program at Millside Elementary, and also the bond work and all of the upgrading," said Superintendent Mr. Micheal Sharrow.

Leadership Helps in Challenging Times

Everywhere you look the school is changing for the better. The 2007 bond is making needed improvements all over. The classrooms now have new carpeting and some are equipped with Smart Boards, there is a brand new gym, and a new athletic entrance. One of the biggest changes made to the high school was the installation of a new geothermal heating system. Soon to come are new bathrooms and a new weight room. The big plans made in the last couple of years are starting to show great results. However, work is still being done and there is still progress needed to be made.

Some things still in progress are the computers and software updates. Over the summer, Smart Boards will be installed in all of the classrooms. Another change in process is the old gym being renovated. "This summer we will be giving all halls and rooms a fresh coat of paint. New geothermal heating will be added throughout the rest of the building. A new concession stand will also be added to the building, and a new art room will be introduced," said Mr. Brian Brutyn.

Administrative focus changed in November with Mr. Brent Case leaving and Mr. Brian Brutyn taking over. In addition, Mr. Sam Dobbs joined the staff working with disciplinary actions for students. Exciting news came in December with the official notification on the IB Programme. Beginning in the fall, the high school joins exclusive ranks in the state of Michigan offering this program.

On February 17, interested parents and students attended the "IB and me" presentation. Mr. Brian Brutyn gives his portion of the presentation to all of the students. "Positive changes going on in the district are the IB Programme, and the ongoing bond work," said Brutyn.



Mrs. Chris Brunzell



Mrs. Gloria Fredericks



Mrs. Sharon Wujcik

" The role of Parent Advisory is to keep the lines open from me to the parents for communcation."

Mr. Brian Brutyn



1. Parent Advisory:

From left to right: Dorothy McGregor, Shelly Mueller, Heidi McGregor, Martha Fisher, Rae Ann Rorah, Michelle Wykowski, Tonya Wirgau, Jeannie Mauchline, Julie Mytinger, and Colleen Devlin.

2. Discussion at the January Parent Advisory meeting focused on the bond update and the IB programme. Mrs. Martha Fisher and Mrs Julie Mytinger listen to Mr. Brian Brutyn's update.



3. Parent Advisory meets at least once a month. With the role of providing parental input, Mrs. Julie Mytinger, Mrs. Colleen Devlin and Mrs. Tonya Wirgau ask questions relating to the changes as a result of the bond.





1. In a program through RESA, Mrs. Jennifer Brutyn works with a variety of students. "My role at the school is to help income eligible students," said Brutyn.

2. Joining the high school staff in January, Mrs. Mary Davis coordinates both high school responsibilities and Special Services. "I used to work at Central Office with administrative work, so it's not that different," said Davis.

3. With new computers in the district, Director of Technology Mr. Evan Humphrey is responsible for coordination and implementation of this new technology.



Unsung Heroes of AHS

In a year of change, both secretaries and Parent Advisory faced different challenges. With staff reductions, each person faced new responsibilities. Beginning in the fall, the work formerly done by four was now being done by three with Mrs. Patrica Webster's position being eliminated by her retirement. Then in December, Mrs. Chris Brunzell's retirement, added to the challenges. Mrs. Sharon Wujcik and Mrs. Gloria Fredericks handled all of the responsibilities until Mrs. Mary Davis, from Central Office joined the staff in a restructuring move. "I enjoy working at the high school. I did the same thing at Central Office too," said Mrs. Mary Davis.

An important group is Parent Advisory which provides input regarding academics and activities from a parent perspective. One thing that the Parent Advisory did was to meet with the IB visiting team during the September visit. "One role is to tell me what the concerns are for the school and what they think would be better," said Mr. Brian Brutyn.

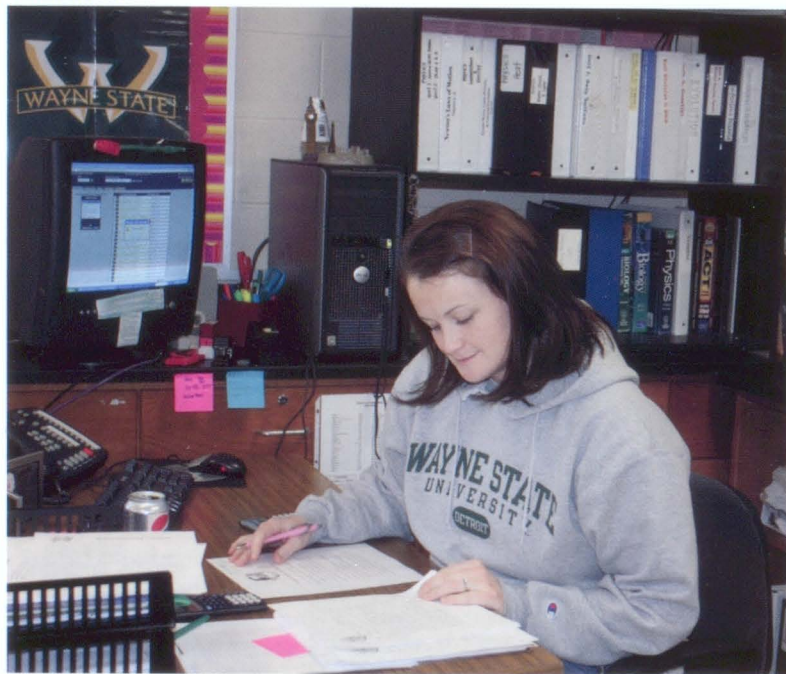
In addition, many students work with Mrs. Jennifer Brutyn in the areas of life skills and employment. Having her office in the high school enables many of the students to take advantage of all the opportunities available.

4. With transcripts, attendance and record keeping all computerized, Mrs. Sharon Wujcik and Mrs. Gloria Fredericks work together to make sure that the new changes in the Zangle system are available to the staff.

Mr. James Baker; Government/Economics, JV Football, Wrestling
Ms. Jean Balconi; Spanish I, II, III/IV
Ms. Karen Blair; Counselor
Mrs. Carol Bokhari; French I, II, III/IV
Ms. Lisa Burns; AP Stats, Core V, Softball
Mr. Craig Cassady; World History, Issues in Society, American Problems, JV Football

Mr. Richard Castello; Government, World History, U.S History
Mrs. Nicole Coss; Counselor
Mrs. Mary Gabler; Teacher Consultant
Mr. Robert Gras; Band, Marching Band
Mrs. Denise Gregg; U.S. History
Mr. Kevin Griffin; Science, Math

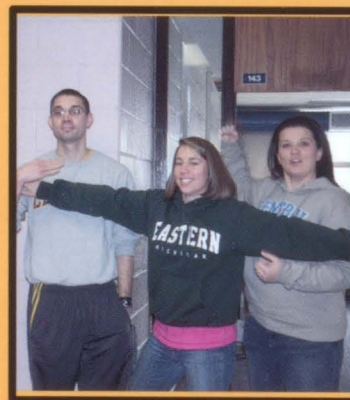
Mrs. Debra Hicks; Biology I
Mr. John Highstreet; World History, Government/Economics, Cultural Studies/ Eastern Studies, Varsity Basketball
Ms. Megan Hinkle; Core IV, Cross Country
Mr. Greg Jones; Drawing & Painting, Commercial Design
Mrs. Angella Justa; Math, English
Mr. William Kiehler; Core II, Tennis, Freshmen Football



"Coaching cheerleading, made me realize I liked working with older kids, which influenced me to become a teacher," said Mrs. Minna Turrell (WSU).

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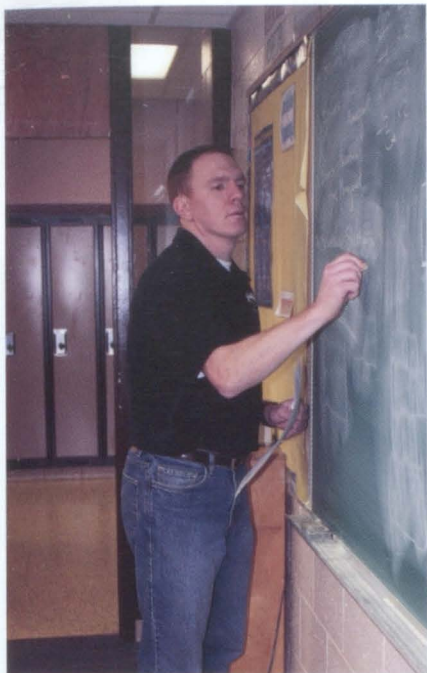
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Mr. Baker	<u>Kalamazoo</u>	<u>U of M</u>
<u>CMU</u>	Mrs. Bokhari	Mr. McIntyre
Ms. Burns	<u>Marygrove</u>	Ms. Balconi
Mr. Welchner	Mrs. Mavis	Mr. Castello
Ms. Urban	<u>MSU</u>	<u>Wayne State</u>
Ms. Thomas	Mrs. Hicks	Mr. Griffin
Mrs. Scharnweber	Mrs. Landrum	Mrs. Turrell
Mr. Simms	Mrs. Coss	Mr. Jones
Mr. Kiehler	Ms. Seeley	<u>WMU</u>
<u>Defiance</u>		Mr. Zimmerman
Mr. Brutyn		Mr. Lucka
Mrs. Brutyn		Ms. Blair
<u>EMU</u>	<u>Oakland</u>	Mrs. Gabler
Ms. Hinkle	Ms. Wummel	Mr. Gras
Mrs. Gregg		
Mr. Koch		
Mrs. Sacquety		



"There wasn't much rivalry when I was in school. Now there is, but mostly between the teachers down the math hall and the schools we all went to. I enjoy watching the games together. It's fun to see all the disputes over the calls, and who wins."

Ms. Megan Hinkle





"My favorite college experiences were being a student orientation leader, homecoming coordinator, attending theatre, and sporting events," said Mr. Jason Lucka (WMU).

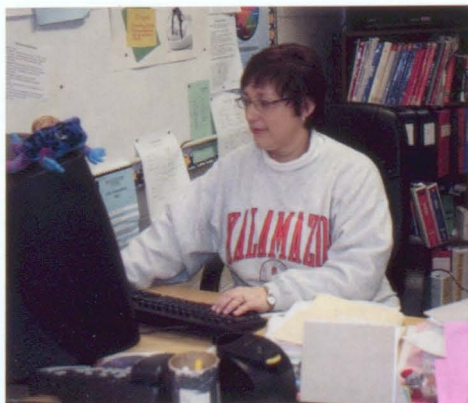
"Making new friends, student teaching experience, and sporting events were some of my favorite college experiences," said Mr. Brady Palmer (SVSU).

"Some of my favorite college experiences were graduation, and being in the city," said Mr. Greg Jones (WSU).

Influential Voices

Teaching has always been a big impact on many teachers' lives. Many teachers realized that teaching was the job for them in their high school, or even middle school years. "My English and band teachers had an enormous impact on me becoming a teacher. They made learning challenging, rewarding and fun," said Mr. Brady Palmer. For many teachers, picking teaching as their job choice wasn't just luck of the draw. They were inspired to do what others taught them, or in some cases what they weren't taught. "Some of my bad teachers actually influenced me to be a teacher, because I knew I could do better," said Mr. Jim Baker. Family impacted some teachers also, because of growing up around a family of teachers. "I have many teachers in my family on both sides, and because of being surrounded by teachers, I always wanted to be a teacher," said Mrs. Denise Gregg.

Teaching isn't an easy job. All teachers work really hard to make sure that every student is comprehending, and learning what is being taught. "My high school math teacher was awesome. I loved math, and had great high school experiences, and I want my students to feel the same way," said Ms. Megan Hinkle. Since most teachers were inspired to do what they love doing, they want to inspire their students to hopefully spark something in their students' heads, that maybe teaching is the job for them.



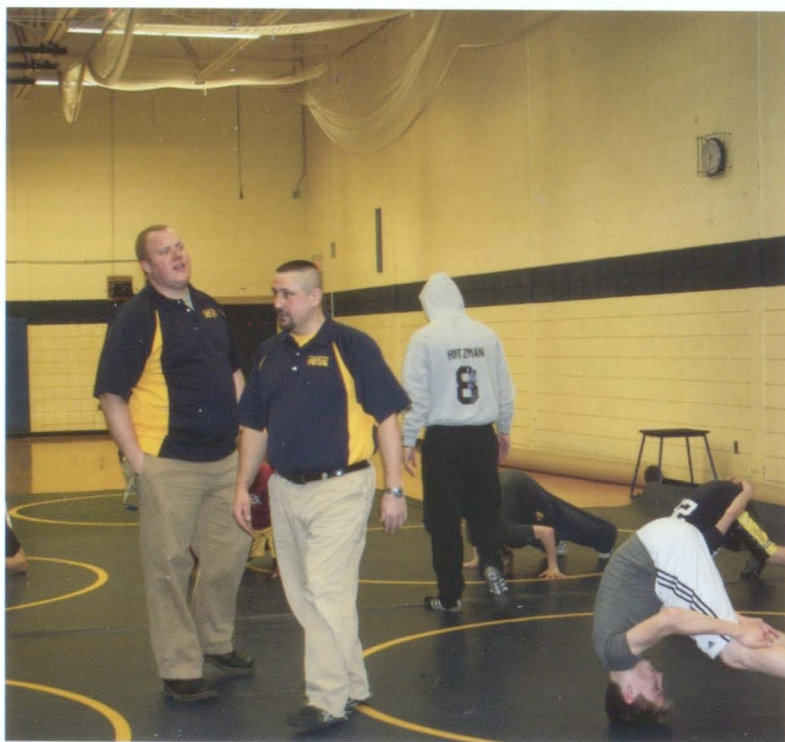
"Going to the football games and interacting in the dorms were my favorite college experiences," said Mr. Kurt Welchner (CMU).

"My favorite college experiences were foreign study in France, and traveling for two months in Europe with my friends," said Mrs. Carol Bokhari (KZOO).

Computers are a part of every teachers teaching routine from attendance to grading, everything is done electronically. Ms. Lisa Burns logs on to begin updating grades prior to exams.

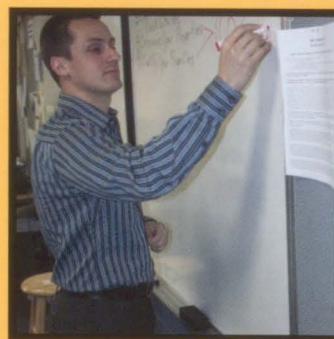


Wrestling coach, Mr. Jim Baker, watches over his team during practice. "During practice I like to make sure the boys are working hard to help them succeed in their matches," said Baker.



"When I'm not grading papers or teaching I like to spend my spare time playing sports like hockey or tennis."

Mr. William Kiehler



"The job of an
students to see



Mr. Steven Koch; World Literature, AML, Newspaper, Golf

Mrs. Michelle Landrum; Intro to Business, Adv. Computers, Software, Student Council, Senior Advisor

Mr. Jason Lucka; AP Calculus, Core III, Tennis

Mr. Scott McIntyre; English 9, AP English, College Composition

Mr. Brady Palmer; Drama, Comm III, World Lit.

Mrs. Cathy Saquety; English 180, Literature

Ms. Cheryl Scharnweber; American Literature, English 9

Mr. Mark Simms; Chemistry, Chemistry II, Varsity Football, JV Girls Basketball, Track

Ms. Kelly Thomas; Health, Comm IV

Mrs. Minna Turrell; Biology, Physics, Cheerleading

Ms. Stephanie Urban; Psychology, AP Biology, Biology

Mr. Kurt Welchner; Athletic Dimensions, Health, Freshman Football, Track

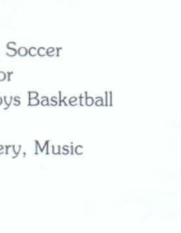
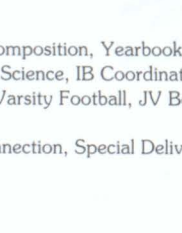
Mrs. Cathy Wenz; Special Services

Ms. Lauren Wummel; English 9 Honors, College Composition, Yearbook, Soccer

Mrs. Rachelle Wynkoop; Media Specialist, Library Science, IB Coordinator

Mr. Keith Zimmerman; Core III, PE, Adv. Cond., Varsity Football, JV Boys Basketball

Not pictured: Ms. Adrienne Seeley; Rainbow Connection, Special Delivery, Music Appreciation



educator is to teach
the vitality in themselves."

-Joseph Cambell

Voices Behind the Desk

Everyone has special things they like to do in their spare time. Some teachers watch TV shows like *CSI* or *The Office*. Other teachers like to spend their spare time collecting things they enjoy. "I've been collecting rubber chickens for 30 or more years. In college, my friends and I would hang them up around dorms for good luck," said Mr. Greg Jones. A few teachers even like to get active after school. Whether it's with sports, working out or even taking their dog for a walk. "I love working out after school because it helps me maintain a healthy mind, body, and soul," said Mr. Kurt Welchner.

The internet is becoming a bigger and more important part of life. Technology is constantly growing. A result of this growing is that teachers are using the internet more and more. Some teachers use a social networking system known as Facebook. Facebook is a still growing website used for email, socializing, games, reconnecting with old friends, and making new ones. "I use facebook because it's easy to use, and other sites like Myspace seem too juvenile," said Mrs. Minna Turrell.



Lost fans, Mr. Craig Cassady, Mrs. Jennifer Brutyn, and Mr. Scott McIntyre anxiously await the February 2 episode to start this last season of this popular TV show.

Teachers personalize classrooms with various things, for Mrs. Cathy Sacquety it is her display of family photos.



Animal lover, Ms. Stephanie Urban poses with her pet tortoise, Atticus. The tortoise crawls around her classroom as she teaches. "He doesn't disturb the class too much. He's really fun to watch and it gives the students a chance to see an animal they normally wouldn't see at all. The only problem I have with him is cleaning up after him during class," said Urban.

Gym teacher Mr. Keith Zimmerman assists Joe Bonam (9) while lifting weights. "I like teaching gym class because it's different than what I've been doing here for the last four years. It really helps to break up the day," said Zimmerman.

1. Buying his lunch, Kenny Guay (12) gives Mrs. Diane Harrington his lunch number to buy his lunch. All students are assigned a certain number, which they must give to the lunch aide before purchasing their lunch to bring up their own profile.

2. **Food Service Personnel:** Mrs. Kristie Megel, Mrs. Diane Harrington, Mrs. Kris Smith, Mr. Steve Bellante, Mrs. Brenda Highstreet, Mrs. Evelyn Avers, Mrs. Kim Baxter, Mrs. Stacy Nykoriak.

3. Serving up an American Diner Bowl, Mrs. Stacy Nykoriak feeds the hungry crowd of students piling into the lunch line.

4. Working at the sub line, Mrs. Kim Baxter takes Trace Petrovich's (10) money and puts it into the cash register as he steps up to the sub station.



"I love to cook!
Being a lunch aide
gives me my chance
to shine!"

-Mrs. Kris Smith





1. Helping out a student, Mr. Jeff Harper uses his key to help open a students jammed locker and fix the lock so the problem won't happen again.



2. Mrs. Evelyn Avers gets the noodles ready to prepare the Macaroni and Cheese as she calls for help to another lunch aide in the kitchen.

3. **Bus Service Personnel:** Linda Bayly-Hansen, Shirley Farley, Daniel Gore, Anna Hodnett, Charlene Lemanski, Sharon McLane, Deborah Meldrum, Christine Orchard, Tamara Schwartz, Josephine Surdey, Lisa Waitt, Terri Windiate



Helping Hands Matter Most

Making a difference, the support personnel push to benefit their students. Teachers aren't the only ones involved in committing to making a better environment. They do all that they can to make our school a safe and welcoming learning center.

Buses go through any kind of weather: rain, sleet, snow, fog, and must be on time everyday. The Transportation Services of Algonac Community Schools, former director, Mr. Evans Szymanski retired after 46 years of service. He began his career as a mechanic in 1963.

Working in the kitchen are the lunch aides. This year was a new beginning for the students to start eating healthier foods. Students are only allowed a certain amount of calories each meal. The lunch aides have to make sure the food doesn't go over that limit. "I use school recipes at home. I make the taco lasagna and my husband loves it!" said Mrs. Brenda Highstreet.

Students everyday have problems with their lockers. Janitors are here early and stay late every day. The team of custodians keeps our school a safe and clean environment by always cleaning up after the students around the entire school, inside and out.



4. Always keeping the school tidy, Mrs. Gail Gendron cleans up the stairs after all of the students eat their lunches.

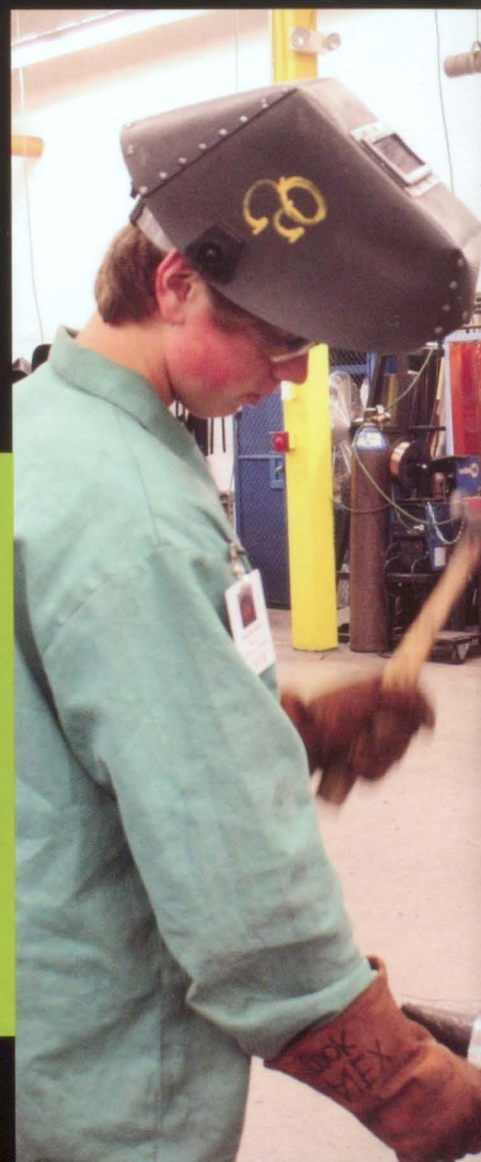
5. Pulling out of the bus garage, Mrs. Deborah Meldrum prepares herself for the oncoming students.



Melissa Ahlgren (11)



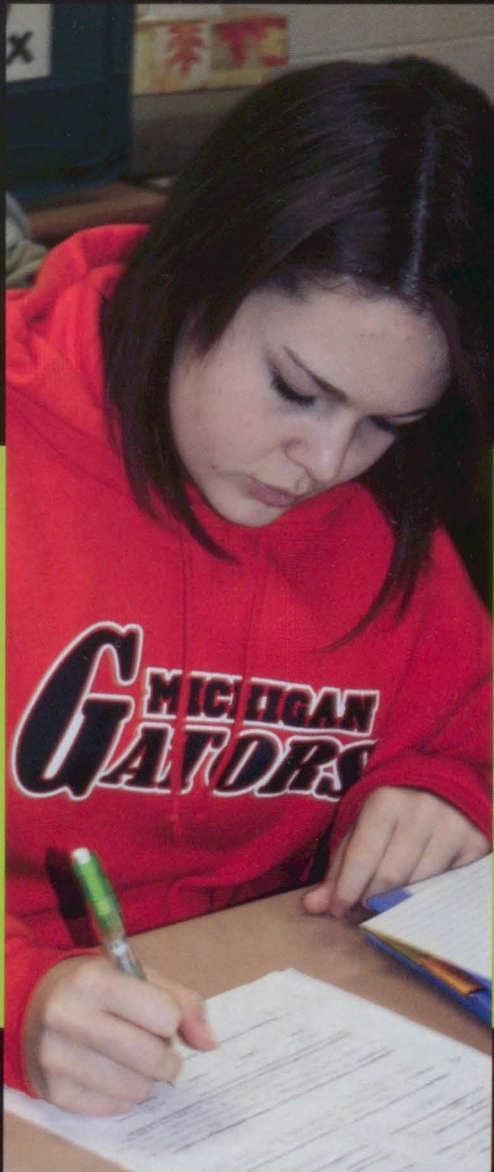
Jon Mitchell (12)



Alex Cook (11)



Kacie **Combs** (10)

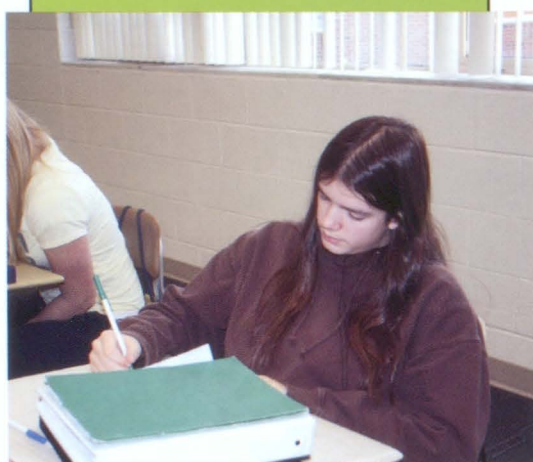


Emily **Darling** (9)

"Within our dreams
and aspirations
we find our
opportunities."
-Sue Ebaugh



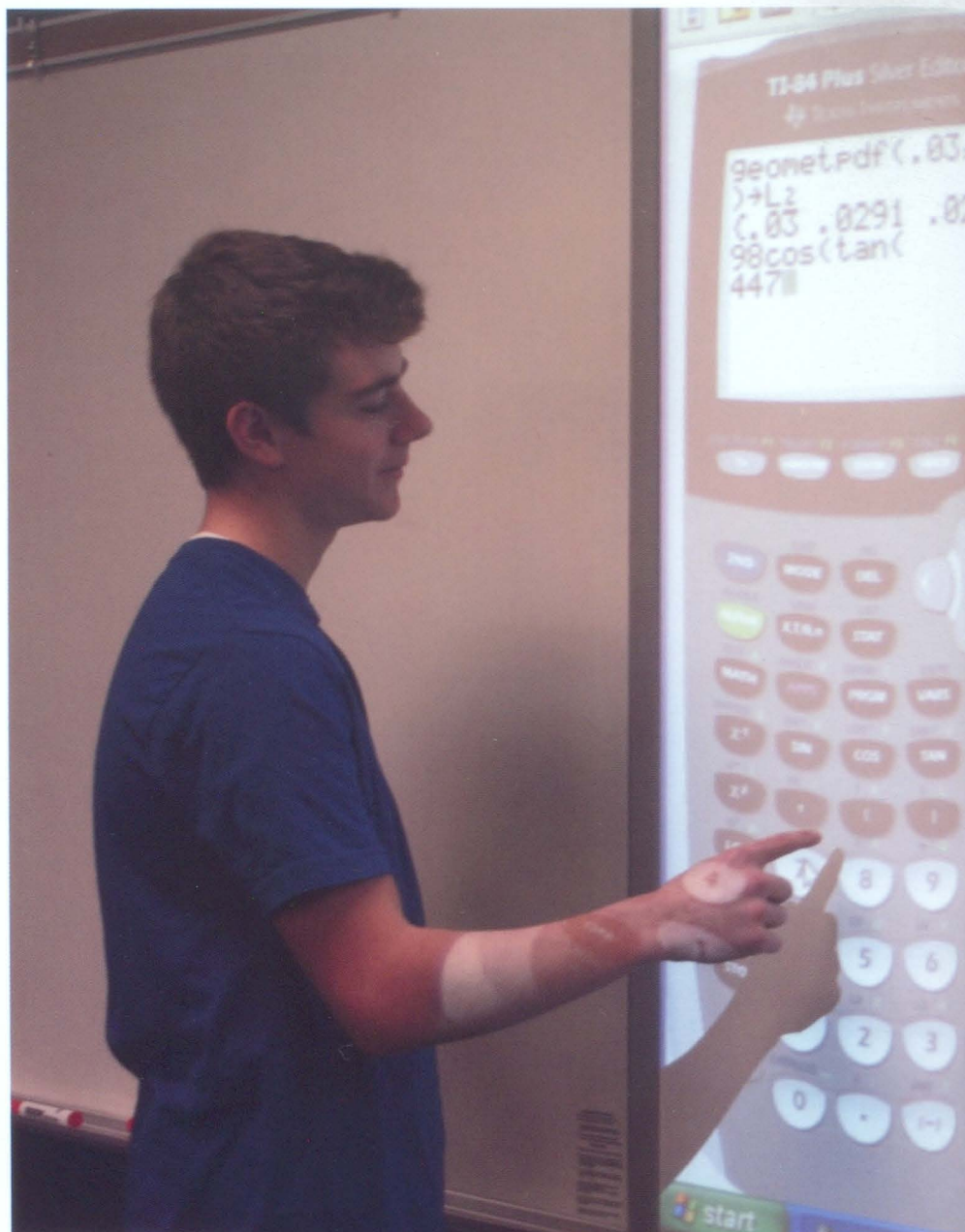
Staying busy, Josh Bush (11) keep up with the work load including AP Biology and AP Calculus. Bush is the second junior to take Calculus.



"I entered IB for more international college choices and the in depth knowledge we will learn," said Samantha Bloink (10) while working on a formal essay in College Composition.



Teaching AP Psychology for her last time, Mrs. Ruth Mavis combines a powerpoint and lemonade tasting in an experiment designed to teach about Pavlov's conditioning.



Using the Smart Board for AP Statistics, Colton Wirgau (10) gets better prepared for the IB Programme. Doubling up in math, he's also in Core III Honors.



Two sections of AP Biology showed the interest in challenging classes. Working with cell structure, the class finishes a quiz. Tests and quizzes designed to reflect the actual AP test help students prepare for the May test.



Moving Forward in Tough Times

In these tough economic times, students face changes impacting educational plans. In spite of the problems, the focus continues on the future. Looking to the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, freshmen and sophomores have the chance to participate. Sophomore Chloe Huard said, "I believe if you get the opportunity to better yourself you should, and the IB Programme is a great opportunity." Many sophomores are currently taking classes designed as prerequisites including College Composition, Chemistry, Government, Economics, and an advanced math class. On December 15, official notification was received authorizing the IB Programme to start fall of 2010. Out of the 700 high schools in Michigan, Algonac is one of fifteen offering an IB diploma.

Advanced placement classes have been an important part of many students' schedules, but with the curriculum change, some AP classes will be eliminated. "I took AP classes to prepare myself for college and I'm currently in Statistics, Psychology, English, and I've also taken U.S. History and Biology," said senior Tyler Peters. In addition, AP students will pay for their exam for the first time, which may impact how many students choose to take the exam. Senior Katya Chaykovska is taking four AP classes this year, "The cost of the exam will have an affect if I take it. If I'm struggling in the class I may not take the exam since I'll be paying for it," said Chaykovska.

Also new is the absence of the Michigan Promise Scholarship. Many worry this may impact how seriously the students will take the Michigan Merit Exam with the scholarship no longer being awarded. Ms. Lisa Burns said, "Not as many students will take it seriously, but those who know that they need good scores for college will still try their best." This action of the state legislature has a wide range of effects, including college plans for the seniors. "The amount of scholarship money I receive will affect where I decide to go to college," said senior Hannah Gryka. Although the economic times are taking a toll on educational plans and school funding, the focus remains on the future.



Taking Chemistry to ready himself for IB, Greg Chicovsky (10) measures some dangerous chemicals in his Chemistry Lab. "Measuring precisely allows for accurate results and always wear your goggles!" said Mr. Mark Simms.

Building a dendrite with pipe cleaners in AP Psychology, Katie Walker (12), along with her classmates, learn all the parts of a neuron in AP Psych. Using projects helped students grasp concept.

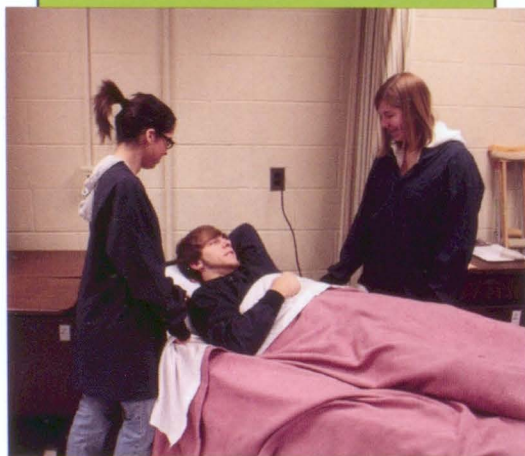
Watching in awe, Wei Nong (12) and Brandon Bowser (10) see their chemicals produce some colors when burned in the steam hood. "The lab was cool, I'm really enjoying taking Chemistry this year," said Bowser.



Ryan Waite (12) and Cody Stahl (12) speak highly of the Business Management and Administration program. "I will have more experience with the kind of job that I want," said Stahl.



Dale Dare (12) spends his time in Digital Media Technology. He enjoys the program and said, "You get to learn about things you actually want to learn about."



Katelyn Hanosh (12) and Taylor Pauly (11), along with Alyssa Miller (11) practice nursing skills in the Health Careers program.



Alfred Hoover (12) is hard at work applying the third coat of primer to the fender that he has been repairing since the beginning of the school year. "It's giving me experience and training for the job field that I'm going into," said Hoover.



In the culinary arts program, Andrea Dunlap (11) gains valuable experience for her future. "I had to make 24 dozen cookies at once," said Dunlap about her most challenging experience.



Speaking of Experience

TEC students experience a different type of day than the rest of the students. A bus takes them to the TEC center in Marysville for half of the school day. During this time, they practice and get valuable experience in the trade that they have a passion for. The other half of their day, they are in school taking regular classes.

TEC has been helping and inspiring students at Algonac High School for many years now. Senior Ryan Waite said, "TEC is a really good opportunity. It is free to come here and you can get ahead of the game by preparing for college." TEC gives students a head start on their lives. It is a lot of hard work, but it is worth it. "It gets your foot in the door for what you want to be when you're older. It gets you experience," said senior Naomii Genaw.

Students participate in a variety of different programs, including everything from welding to culinary arts to health careers. Senior Anthony Perhogan, in the Auto Technology program, completely approves of it. "It's a real world, hands on experience," said Perhogan. Students have a chance to study something that they are truly interested in, so they are very motivated to accomplish great things. This is a unique program and students are lucky to have a chance to take a part in it because of all the opportunities it offers.



In the Culinary Arts program, Shelby Garchow (12) enjoys the fact that she gains experience. "I learn life skills and basic recipe skills," says Garchow. She also enjoys the fact that it gives her a head start in the world as far as careers go.



Nicholas Morris (12) spends his day hard at work in the Welding program. "I plan on going to Ferris for welding, so it's a good start," said Morris. He is one of many satisfied participants of the TEC program.

Wei Nong (12) and Anthony Perhogan (12) really enjoy the Auto Technology program. "I wanted to try something different, and it is a real world, hands on experience," said Nong.



Elizabeth Darling (12) puts the final touches on her French cook-off project in hopes to beat out all of the competition.



Evan Melick (10) admires ancient art work during the French, Spanish, and American History field trip to the Detroit Institute of Arts.



Kyle Madaj (11), Emily Henry (11), and Lauren Fisher (11), play cards as they wait for their exciting day to officially begin at the D.I.A.



The bell game is always an exciting way to spend time in French and most birthday celebrations aren't complete without it. Teammates congratulate each other on a correct answer to a vocabulary question.

Kim Schultz (12) takes time to explain traditional German card games to the underclassman Shelby Gulette (10) in her distance learning German class.



A Different Voice

Our society is fast changing and evolving into a diverse culture. We all are exposed to different languages whether we realize it or not. It would seem strange to see an item without a language option on the back. Every day we learn more and more about using a different voice. From Spanish to Chinese, any knowledge about a foreign language helps.

AHS offers Spanish, French, German, and Chinese as foreign language classes and each has its advantages. In Spanish, playing a good game of "Grab the Dog" helps memorize vocabulary. French has birthday parties to help students understand the culture. In German, card games are played to keep students interested and entertained. "I love our card games! They always make the hour go by faster and we don't even realize that we are studying and learning about German culture!" said senior Kim Schultz. Chinese is brought to life by interactive online learning, which is a new concept.

Senior Ashleigh Smith is taking two foreign language classes, French IV and Chinese II, to help advance her plans for college. "It is difficult, but it's worth it. Also, foreign language has helped me broaden my English vocabulary too, which is interesting," said Smith. "I stay interested because of things like the french cook-off, the auction, and the bell game."

With a new environment and different excitement in each class, each teacher is drilling into our heads how to use a different voice. From the way we pronounce our vowels to the way we say our consonants, we change our language, broaden our minds, and make our voices more our own everyday.



Zach Richardson (10) stands and admires traditional Spanish art work during his trip to the Detroit Institute of Arts.

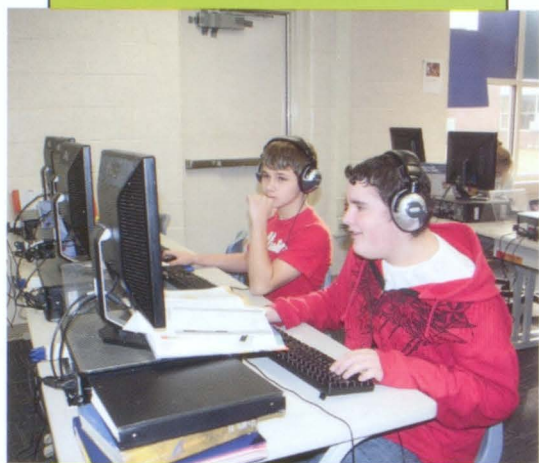


Ashleigh Smith (12) celebrates her 18th birthday by receiving hand-made, festive cards in French III/IV. The card giving celebration is followed by tons of food and the bell game.

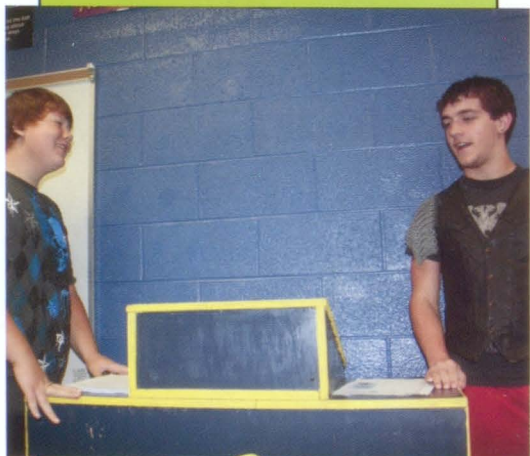
Sitting around, Anna Megel (9), Kara Gardener (9), Marissa Stegman (9), and Jacob Turner (9) take pictures of the amazing art work at the Detroit Institute of Arts while on the history of the room they are in.



Athletic Dimensions is a popular elective. Having the chance to use weight room equipment enables Eric Heim (12) to work on building muscle.



New technology provides an opportunity for Dakota Swinson (9) and Kevin Clap (9) to learn Office 2007 in Software I.



Improv skits provide lots of laughs for the drama class. Austin Wirgau (11) and Alex Canchola (10) add their touch of creativity to the experience.



Having artistic talent is a gift. Working with Mr. Greg Jones, Max Trombly (12) learns the importance of shading to give impression of depth.

One of the positive things about art is the chance to have time to focus on a project. Branden Peters (9) uses his third hour class to complete his poster.



Take your Pick

Required classes continue to increase, leaving limited room for electives. With this reality, choosing an elective has become more difficult. Having a variety of electives to choose from including drama, Psychology, law, art, physical education and Chemistry II, students consider two things when picking their electives. They pick it because the class seems fun, and will lighten up the day between the required math, English, science and social studies classes. Another reason they might pick it is because they think the class might help them in the future.

Senior Rebeka Wrightman looked to the future when picking Sociology/Law taught by Mr. Craig Cassady. "I thought that the class would be interesting, and would help me decide what I want to do in the future," said Wrightman. Junior Alex Witulski took psychology taught by Ms. Stephanie Urban for the same reason. "I took psychology because being a psychologist is something I've always wanted to do," said Witulski.

Some electives aren't as popular as others. "I don't think Library Science is a popular class because students assume that there is less work than there is, but in reality it is very effective in teaching students how to work independently, use online classes, and become more information literate," said Mrs. Rachelle Wynkoop. Students who take this elective not only have the chance to learn more about the field, but they also have the chance to work in the Media Center during their class.

Whether one is looking for something different or a career focus, electives provide the opportunity for students to have a chance to learn about specific topics of their choice that they take a particular interest in.



One of AV productions projects was a music video. Class members added a creative touch by dressing up in costumes.



Potential layout designs are posted in the computer lab for the Newspaper staff to use in their next issue. Rachel Schreck (12) looks over all of her choices before choosing a layout for her section.

Shelby Byerly (12) keeps track of her grade status through the interactive curriculum available in Moodle for Library Science.



JOSH RIVARD (12)



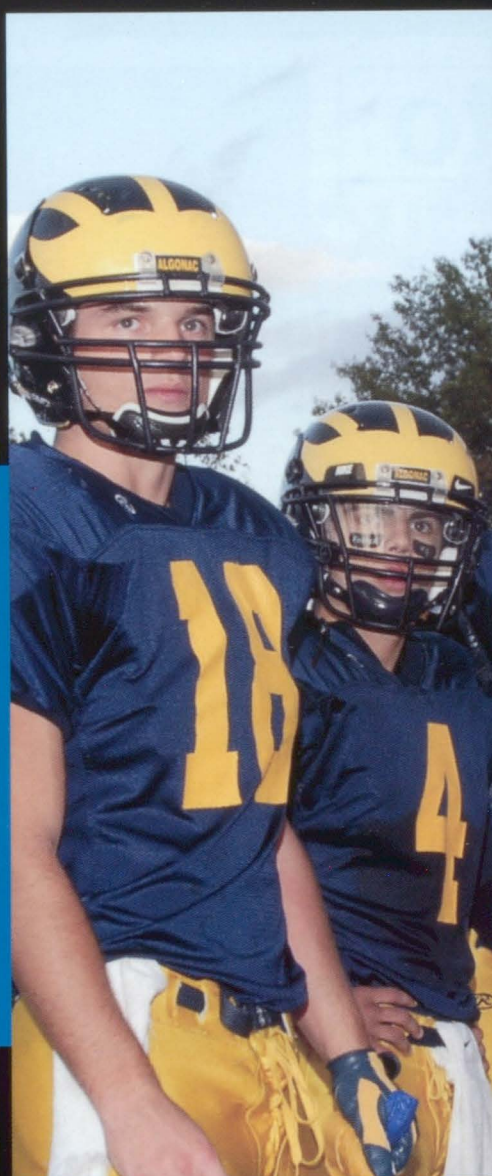
JANINE LEWANDOSKI (11)



VERONICA CASEY (10)
EMILY GIRARDIN (10)



JON DERRA (11)



JOHN HINTZMAN (12)

"CHAMPIONS AREN'T MADE IN THE GYMS. CHAMPIONS ARE MADE FROM SOMETHING THEY HAVE DEEP INSIDE THEM- A DESIRE, A DREAM, A VISION."

-MUHAMMAD ALI

While embracing the moment, Ronnie Lane (9) demonstrates intense concentration as he listens to the coach during a water break.



The team huddles together to plan out their game, with coach Kurt Welchner helping the team strategize to better their performance.



The players get ready to face the opposing side. At the call of hike, the team charges forward to collide with their opponents.



Strive to SUCCEED

Coming out of Algonquin Middle School, freshmen football players entered the high school with hopes of success. In a season of ups and downs, the players grew together as a team. Each member of the team strove to become more of a true Muskrat through the challenges they constantly faced.

Coached by Mr. Kurt Welchner and Mr. William Kiehler, players learned the fundamentals of the game. Coach Kurt Welchner said, "The freshmen football team was a hard-nosed, hard-hitting, hard working team that continued to improve throughout the season."

With the best record for fall football teams, the group led with a total of four winning games. Two strong games were Yale, 30-6, and North Branch, 20-0. The season ended against a powerhouse Class B team, the Birch Run Panthers. Players took skills learned throughout the season to soundly defeat Birch Run by 16 - 6.

Freshman Matt Mueller said, "The team worked hard and played together. We did well, but we could have done better." The team overcame many challenges, bringing it to an extremely successful season.



With a time out on the field, Coach William Kiehler gives valuable advice to team members, who listen closely as they focus on the instructions.

Being pulled back by two Imlay City defensemen Branden DeLong (9) pushes through trying to gain yardage.



Time out on the field. Coach Kurt Welchner gives valuable advice to his team members, who listen closely as they play a good, hard game.



As Sean Yost (9) heads to the goal with a fierce grip on the ball, he travels a long distance before being tackled.



Branden Balogh (9), Jamie Gill (9), and Sean Yost (9) listen respectfully to the referee relating to placement of the ball for the next play.



Freshmen Football: Front Row: Jeff Ruemenapp, Shane Odzark, Joey Ballard, Ronnie Lane; Second Row: James Ruhlman, Dakota Anderson, Turrell Lee, JP DeBoyer, Jimmy Trebilcock; Third Row: Coach Kurt Welchner, Austin Witting, Devon Mayle, Branden Balogh, Joe Bonam, Billy Meldrum, Coach William Kiehler; Fourth Row: Kyle Hoover, Marcel Jonas, Kyle Pelath, Christian Kaminski, Tyler Banks, Darrin Teschler, Parker Gadd, Cody John; Back Row: John Hintze, Jamie Gill, Matt Mueller, Sean Yost, Zach Osborne, Branden DeLong, Jason Arbuckle.



James Ruhlman (9), JP DeBoyer (9) and Turrell Lee (9) attempt to snatch the ball from the other team in a game against Birch Run. By providing blocks, they are successful.

Playing a defensive position, Sammier Zaidan (10) keeps strategy in mind as he works to bring down the opposition and prevent additional yardage gain.



Taking advantage of his teammates blocking, William Emerick (10) runs with the ball heading downfield looking to gain valuable yards leading to another first down.



Joseph Melnick (10) effectively blocks for William Emrick (10) allowing him to keep possession of the ball leading to a touchdown.



Junior Varsity

PLAYS HARD

With 24 members learning to play competitively while getting touchdowns, sacks, and tackles, JV Football began practice in August. Led by coaches Mr. Jim Baker and Mr. Craig Cassady, the team faced a frustrating season. With a record of one win and one tie, beating a strong Capac team later on in the season was a highlight. During the season, the team united and improved. This was evident in a close game ending in a tie against a strong BWAC power, Richmond.

Action takes place on the field when skills from practice come into reality. Sophomore Colton Wirgau likes being able to "strip the ball and intercept it."

Football is a hard hitting sport with intensity building constantly. Sophomore Karl Wolf said, "I like getting the chance to hit people."

In this challenging season, players realized that more focus was required. Sophomore Chad Manning said, "We didn't meet expectations. People didn't work hard enough in practice, and when it came time for the games they weren't ready." Commitment is a key to success in this sport. Coach Craig Cassady said, "They need to work hard in the off season adding stronger commitment."



Heading for the end zone, Thomas Dueweke (10) outruns the defense to score an important.

Defense is about bringing down the opposition. Every team member and fan loves a good tackle. Chad Manning (10) and Kyle Borchardt (10) connect to stop the offense and prevent a first down.

Setting up for the next play, team members take set positions on the line. Strategy is key as Sammier Zaidan (10) snaps the ball to William Emrick (10).



Heading into the end zone for a touchdown, Dillon Hinkle (10) is tackled from both sides as the opposition tries to prevent the score.



Handling the ball, William Emrick (10) looks for an open receiver to keep it out of their opponents hands.

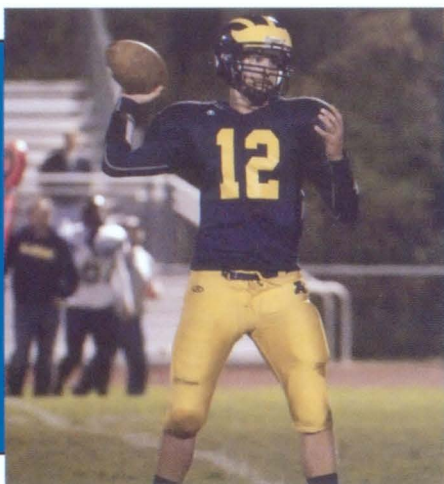


JV Football: Front Row: Colton Wirgau, Brett Clark, Michael Kozel, Karl Wolf, Shane Chase, Matthew Wilburn, Evan Manning, Cody Strassburg, Thomas Dueweke; Second Row: Brandon Bowser, Juan Alvarez, Cody Presbey, Sammier Zaidan, William Emerick, David Hetzel, Michael Short, Kevin OBrien; Back Row: Coach Jim Baker, Chad Manning, Kevin Krause, Joseph Melnik, Dillon Hinkle, Thurlo Minhinick, Alex Canchola, Kyle Borchardt, Coach Craig Cassidy.



Coach Craig Cassidy uses a time out to provide strategy for the next play and get the team ready for another first down.

Collin Davey (10) sets up to throw the ball to his desired team member. "As I drop back, I hope to make another completion for Algonac first down," said Davey.



Kyle Mikolowski (10) intercepts the ball, and heads for the touch down. Evading the defensive plays he runs as fast as possible to haul the ball forward.



Coaching is part strategy and part pep talk. Coach Jamie Thiede fills in the players on the next play.



Coming Together AS A TEAM

Football has been the ground work for school pride for a long time now. Every school wants to be able to say they have a great sports team. The football team has struggled in the past, but things finally seem to be looking up for them. The Varsity Football team has been working harder than ever to make the school proud. Competing in a strong conference, the varsity boys came close in a number of games. Finally, on October 10, the boys broke the 17 game losing streak by beating Imlay City.

The Varsity Football team was having a rough season, but this win proved that they can put their best foot forward no matter how bad things look. "Our football program took major strides this year," said coach Jamie Thiede. In a close game against Almont, varsity added another game in the win column.

"As a team captain for my team, I lead by example, and when things go wrong I stay positive and never give up," said senior Nate Smith.

This team effort made it possible to achieve one of the season goals: to break the losing streak. With a young team, a sophomore quarterback and strong play throughout the season, those close games led to success.



John Thielk (11) strives to tackle the player on the opposing team, throwing his body in the air putting all his weight on him.

Kyle Mikolowski (10) and Nate Smith (12) along with the rest of their teammates line up before the game, getting all pumped up for the night.



Brian Coughlin (11) tackles Capac's running back for a loss of yards, as he throws all of his weight on his opponent bringing him down and stopping the play.



Ben Belfour (12) enters the mass of his fellow teammates in the attempt to get the ball. Keeping focus on the position helped the team stay on task and work hard as a team.



Coach Keith Zimmerman takes Matthew Horeftis (11) to the sidelines during the game against Capac. As defensive coordinator, Zimmerman planned strategy for the team.



Varsity Football: Front Row: Zac Lowes, Cody Hug, Tyler Uhl, Zachary McGee, Nathan Sears, Doug Foster; Second Row: Ronald Schroeder, Michael Devlin, Christopher Stephenson, Austin Wirgau, Joseph Dugan, Dustin Supal, Benjamin Balfour; Third Row: Danny Burby, Coach Mark Simms, Coach Jamie Thiede, Coach Keith Zimmerman, Coach Brian Brutyn, Craig Suppon; Fourth Row: Zach Signeurie, James Phillips, David Marotta, Matthew Horeftis, John Thielk, Patrick Smith, Joshua Walker; Fifth Row: Nate Smith, Dalton Hagel, Taylor Pauley, David Perry, John Hintzman, Troy Wykowski, William Servick, Kyle Mikolowski; Back Row: Brian Coughlin, Kyle Madaj, Jonathan Murray, Collin Davey, Eric Heim, Dominick Mayle, Patrick Mytinger.

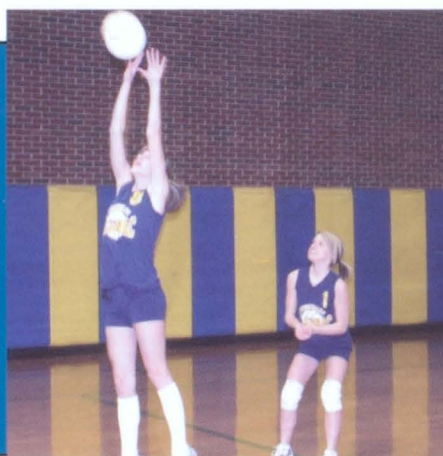


Nate Smith (12) and John Hintzman (12) along with others on the team, shake hands with the Capac before the homecoming game, showing each team's efforts in good sportsmanship.

Megan Lowes (9) desperately tries to keep the ball from hitting the floor. One save is all it takes to keep the game going.



Casey Hinkle (9) sets a returning ball while Megan Lowes (9) is quick on her feet to back her up.



Marissa Stegman (9) sets the ball to Casey Hinkle (9) so she can spike the ball over the net. "Whenever I spike I try to get an ace on the first try," said Hinkle.



Bump, Set, Over THE NET

Starting with volleyball camp and summer practices, freshmen began to come together and develop as a team. Led by coach Andrea Nestle, the team not only learned all of the important fundamentals, they learned what competitive play on a high school level is all about. "I enjoyed working with the girls and would have to say that this has been my most enjoyable season as a coach," said Andrea Nestle.

Teamwork was key for the group. Captain Marissa Stegman kept the girls together throughout the whole season. Freshman Stephanie Henry said, "We always work hard and are always working as a team. Our captain, Marissa Stegman, is very helpful. She is always there, no matter what. Every ball is your ball on the court."

Adjusting to high school play provided many challenges. Freshman Melissa Lyon said, "I think that it is very different playing at the high school. We have more responsibilities and we are always working together." Accomplishing this season was important for the team to grasp the idea of how high school sports will be at higher levels in the future.



Alexa Migliore (9) shouts "mine" as she rushes to bump the ball so that her teammates don't collide with each other. "I like being set up for hits. It's the best part, because I love playing up against the net," said Sampson (9).

Aiming for the other team, Casey Hinkle (9) slams the ball across the court and over the net. "Serving is my favorite part of volleyball, and I think that it is the most important part of the game," said Hinkle.

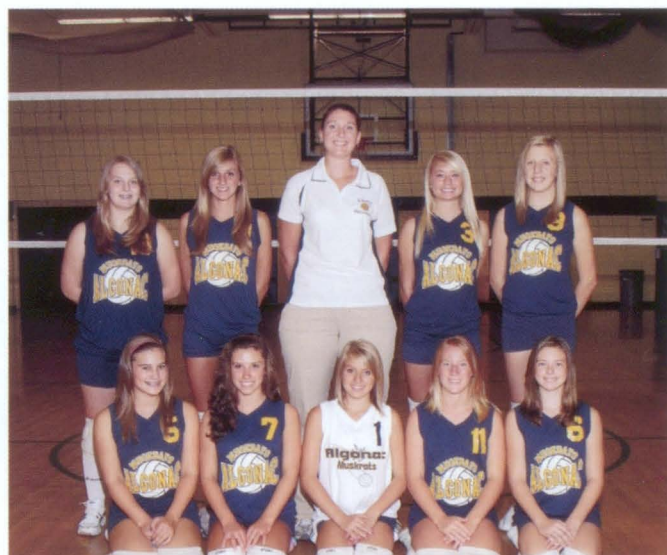
Melissa Lyon (9) prepares for the game to start as her teammate, Valerie Cornish (9), serves the ball to the opposing team. "Being in ready position is always a key part, especially when playing back row," said Lyon.



Stephanie Henry (9) bumps the ball back to return the serve to the opposing team. "Playing back row is my favorite position because I like being on the defensive side more than being on the offensive side," said Henry.



While in ready passing position, Valerie Cornish (9) bumps the ball to the front row so the setter, can set up for a hit.



Freshmen Volleyball: Front Row: Valerie Cornish, Alexa Migliore, Megan Lowes, Stephanie Henry, Marissa Stegman. Back Row: Elizabeth Sampson, Casey Hinkle, Coach Andrea Nestle, Klaudia Watts, Melissa Lyon

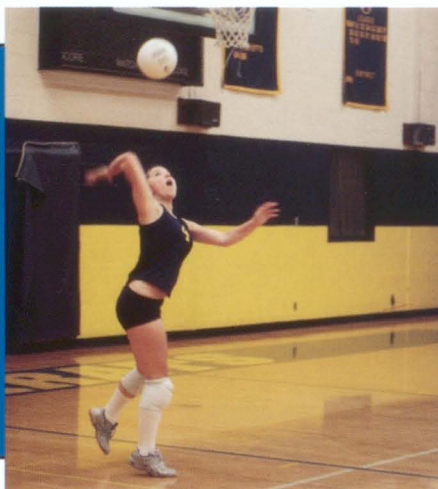


The girls huddle up to prepare themselves for the upcoming game. "To pump up the team we do a cheer before every game. It really helps to have a positive focus during the game," said captain, Marissa Stegman (9).

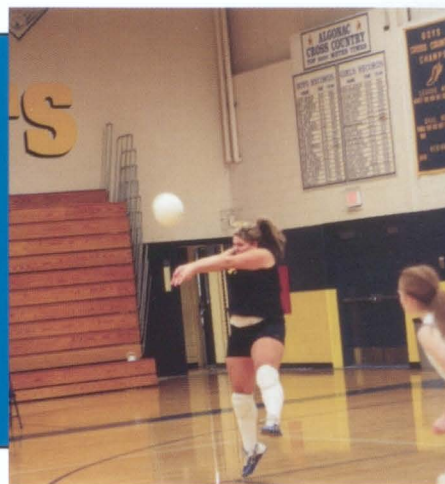
"There is no perfect set without a thought out pass," said Desire Gouine (10) as she passes the ball to setter Katie Smith (11).



"From the beginning of the season to our last game we acted as a family," said Jenny Warwick (10) serves the ball for an ace.



"Serves don't just come to you, you take what you can get and make the best of it", said Kellie Smith (11) while jumping to pass on a serve.



Pushing for POINTS

With only a couple ceiling fans, a set of double doors and an irritatingly warm breeze coming into the gymnasium, the JV volleyball team had little to keep them cool throughout the summer. With camps starting in July and practices in August, the volleyball team had plenty of time to get familiar before this year's fall season. Because of the changes brought in by a new varsity coach, the JV volleyball players found themselves pushed and encouraged to grow as individuals and as a team.

Holding a record of eight wins and six losses, the girls fought their way through many tough matches against teams like Capac, Almont, and Armada. "We were consistent, we played the game, and got our jobs done," said Coach Alicia Wenz. "Overall, we played very well this season."

To accomplish higher goals this season the girls needed more than passing, setting, and hitting to be victorious. Every game played included teamwork from each player, making this group a whole instead of one girl playing one specific position for the entire game.

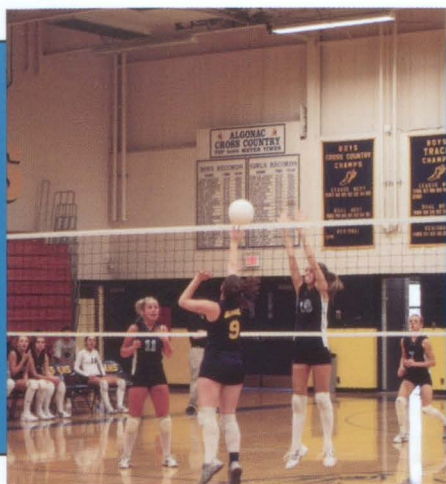


"To get any ball up takes heart. I don't think, I just do," said Amanda Stambaugh (10) while attempting to dig a ball.

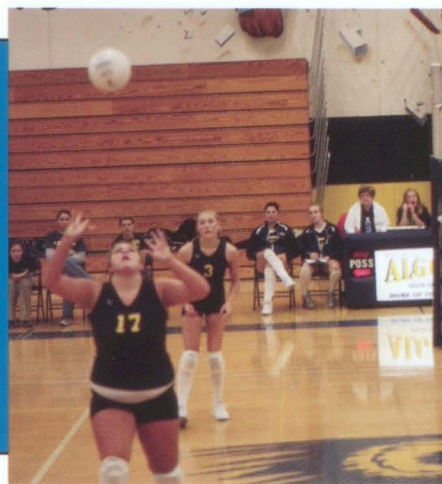
"This year we focused on representing ourselves as more than just a team," said Jessica Nadrowski (10) in a team huddle during a time out.



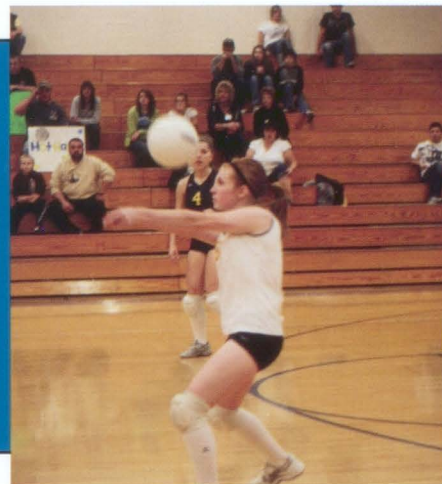
"It's not just hitters who win points, we score for our team not ourselves," said Katie Smith (11) as she scores a point on a tip.



"It's not always about getting a point on return but sending the ball over for a second try," said Kellie Smith (11) while backsetting to the hitter.



"With responsibility came pressure. Being libero meant depending on me for a great pass," said Chelsey Hart (10).



JV Volleyball: Front row: Chelsey Hart, Katie Smith, Carrie-Ann Wyatt, Jessica Nadrowski, Jennifer Warwick. Back row: Coach Alicia Wenz, Samantha Sawyer, Amanda Stambaugh, Kelly Smith, Desire Gouine.



"Moving your feel for the ball and even diving shows you want to earn the point you deserve," said Desire Gouine (10) while diving for a ball.

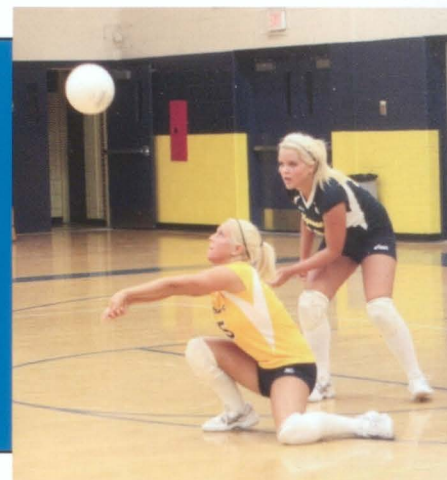
Reaching out for the ball, Alyssa Kozlowski (12) tips the ball putting it in play at Districts in Mt. Clemens against the Mariners.



Serving it up, Kayla Harrington (12) takes her approach hoping to serve an ace and give her team another reason to cheer.



Getting to the ball, libero Sarah McIntosh (12) digs up the ball against the Richmond Blue Devils, creating an opportunity for her teammates.



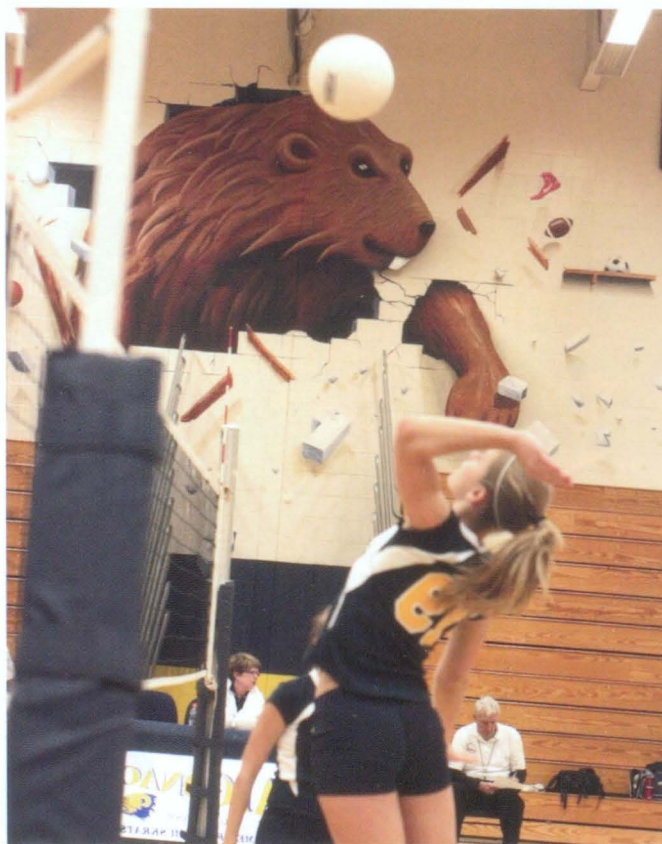
Tick Tick Boom!!

"1...2...3, SKRATS!" is yelled as the Lady Muskrats come together before every game, hoping to defeat their opponent. The season started very differently from previous years. A new coach and practicing with both freshmen and JV teams is a hard adjustment for the girls. Senior Kaylin Hurlburt said, "It was hard to transition into the new practices because we were constantly working with different skill levels."

The captain was senior Katie Kastler. Kastler showed great leadership and kept the girls' heads high. Other captains, sophomore Amanda Rock and junior Heidi Highstreet, were chosen especially for a game due to their leadership in previous games.

This season, the girls only had three tournaments. "Tournaments are known as practices for us. Win or lose, it's our way of getting better," said Coach Mitch Landrum.

A lot of pressure started to build up from being on a varsity team. Sophomore Morgan Rorah said, "Seeing as it was my first year of varsity creates a lot of pressure because I want to do well, but knowing my team is there for me is easier to deal with."



Hannah Schmidt (11) reaches as she attacks an incoming ball sent to her by the opposing team, the Richmond Blue Devils.

Having the ability to easily loft herself in the air, Heidi Highstreet (11) said, "Being a middle hitter was fun. I loved getting the ball set to me and putting it away on the opposing team."



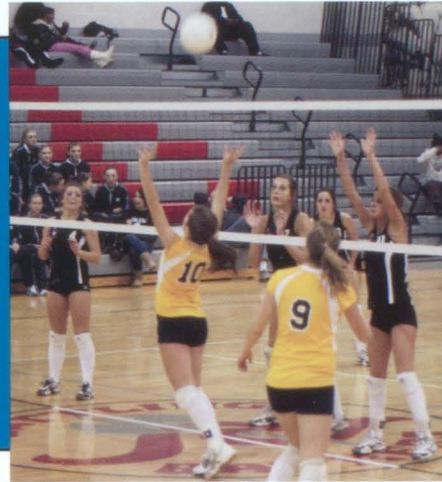
With a close game against Marine City, Coach Mitch Landrum calls for a time out to get the team back refocused.



Though the girls are typically successful, Amanda Rock (10) said, "It's not always easy trying to recover a bad pass because the ball could be



Setting up a right side hit, captain Katie Kastler (12) sets the ball to Janine Lewandoski (11) for another scoring opportunity.



Varsity Volleyball: Front Row: Ashleigh Smith, Sarah McIntosh, Kayla Harrington, Katie Kastler; Second Row: Morgan Rorah, Alyssa Kozlowski, Kaylin Hurlburt, Caitlyn LaLonde, Janine Lewandoski; Back Row: Coach Mitch Landrum, Hannah Schmidt, Heidi Highstreet, and Amanda Rock



Passing up a free ball, Janine Lewandoski (11) delivers a pass to set up the ball and be put away by one of the hitters.

Keeping in mind that ball control is essential, Yassine Halila (12) keeps controls so he can dish it off to another teammate.



"Being captain this year was a great experience, because I got to help lead the team during the games," said starting captain Jon Derra (11).



Using his natural athleticism, Austin Rust (11) maneuvers the ball around the defense. "I was trying to get to the ball first and clear it, before Almont could score," said Rust.



Teamwork PAYS OFF!

In a challenging season, highlighted by the two wins against Yale, varsity soccer players learned how to work together, communicate, and play as a team. The boys practiced every day and worked hard to learn before the season was over. Sophomore Ian Sass said, "I was impressed on how we learned to work as a team."

Freshman Andrew Walmsley said, "It was a rough start, but we started working as a team toward the end of the season. We started talking on the field and helping each other out." Soccer isn't a game that can be played with one person, all eleven people on the field have to work as one. This was a lesson that had to be taught single-handedly by coach Lauren Wummel.

"As a first year coach I was very excited about leading this group of boys through the season. Though difficult at times, this season was made a success by how we pulled together when faced with adversity in the final district game," said coach Lauren Wummel. The team finally pulled together and showed what they were learning and showed the pride they had in being part of a team.



Tyler Kristoff (10) moves in a cross-over pattern as Austin Rust (11) prepares to pass the ball and advance down the field.

With intense concentration, Denys Voloschuk (12) and Austin Rust (11) work to stop their opponent and keep the ball in play.



Ian Sass (10) keeps control of the ball by using his juggling skills, preventing the opponent from taking the ball.



Chance Petrovich (11) uses some contact while fighting to win the ball away from his Almont opponent.



"Even though it was a tough season, playing on a team was a good experience because in Africa we played individually," said Yassine Halila (12) a, foreign exchange student from Tunisia.



Boys' Varsity Soccer: Front Row: Evan Melick, Kaleb Schreck, Austin Rust, Yassine Halila, Ian Sass; Second Row: Nicholas Sheufelt, Nicholas Chaney, Andrew Walmsley, Tyler Kristoff; Back Row: Chance Petrovich, Wei Nong, Coach Lauren Wummel, Jon Derra, Denys Voloschuk.



Goalie is a challenging position and Nick Chaney (11) focuses on a strategy for playing this position for the first time, having to replace Steve Kuhr (11) in the middle of the game.

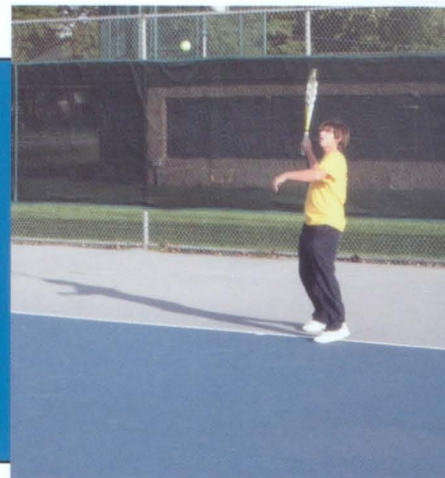
Part of tennis is waiting for opponents to serve the ball, so it can be volleyed back. "Nick's just standing around as usual," said Jon Stubbs (12), teasingly. Stubbs and Milantoni (12) combined forces for first round victories at regionals.



Warming up before their matches, Matt Wilson (11) and Ian Babicki (11) prepare for what is to come. This combination led to regional first round victories.



Jacob Greene (11) "rocking his sweatpants," prepares to hit and overhead serve during warm up before his match.



New Season, NEW BEGINNINGS

Finishing the season with their heads held high, this team gets ready to say their good-byes as the seniors leave. They had a great core set of seniors. "The seniors led the team," said Coach Jason Lucka. Although they started off shaky, after a few matches, things started looking up for them. "It's devastating for the team to see so many seniors go," said junior David Casper. "It was exciting for me to participate in a sport during my senior year," said senior Jon Stubbs.

"The season had many exciting moments. Some favorites were the away games, bus rides, stopping to get food on the way home after matches, and the practices. "We always had good laughs on the bus rides," said senior Kenny Guay.

Senior leadership led to success at regionals where the team had victories in five flights. The doubles teams swept their first round matches. Leading the match was Clinton Neuner winning at first singles. This year's MVP went to Clinton Neuner. "He's simply the best player," said Coach Jason Lucka. With the season over and many seniors leaving, it's a sad ending, but the season was still successful and full of fun and endless memories.



Holding on to tradition, sporting his favorite hat and racquet, Max Trombly (12) said, "I always warm-up wearing my lucky hat, and favorite classic sweater."

"We were just chillin', waiting for our next match, catchin' some rays," said Kenny Guay (12), while relaxing with teammates Clinton Neuner (12) and Charlie Case (12)



Confident in his abilities, Kenny Guay (12) reflects that, "a stance can't get any better than this."



Placing 5th in second doubles with Max Trombly (12) at the district tournament, Kyle LaParl (12) was one of the team leaders during the season. "We did well, but had some struggles," said LaParl



At the regional, Clinton Neuner (12) defeated his Marysville opponent playing first singles. "I like warming up before matches. It gives me a chance to see how my opponent plays," said



Varsity Boys Tennis: Front Row: David Casper, Randy Kardas, Daniel Orchard, Chris Orchard, Jacob Greene; Second Row: Clinton Neuner, Matt Wilson, Matt Kloeffer, Tommy Moehlman, Max Trombly, John McBride. Back Row: Coach Jason Lucka, Kyle LaParl, Charlie Case, Nick Milantoni, Ian Babicki, Kenny Guay.

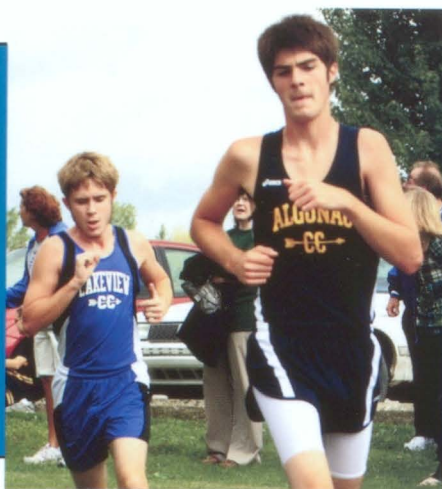


Placing fifth at the district tournament, and winning straight sets against Imlay City, Charlie Case (12) has a nice forehand and volley back to the opponent. "I was in the zone, ready to hit the ball," said Case (12), reflecting on the tournament.

At the Muskrat Classic, Holly Hilliker (11) works to keep her pace going. "The hardest part of the race is finishing, after three miles of running, you're so exhausted," said Hilliker.



Chris Chockley (11) leaves a Lakeview runner behind at the Marine City Invitational held at East China Park. "The time you have to put in on the weekends is rough," said Chockley, but the extra hours are what keeps these runners in shape.



Keeping his eyes on the course, Gordon Marcinkoske (12) is careful not to step into ruts or holes. The team had no major injuries this year, though some contracted the flu.



Musk rats Run TO VICTORY

Beating out several BWAC schools, the boys' cross country runners came in to finish third, while the girls pushed themselves for a sixth place finish, for another successful season.

Victory was not without a price though. Spending their summer waking up early and running around Algonac, the team had to deal with the intense heat from the summer sun.

"I'm tired, it's hot out, my feet hurt," said junior James Mihalich jokingly, as the team continued to run their daily mileage in the summer, preparing for the meets to come.

The team did pull through, both teams receiving trophies for the Centerline Invitational at Centerline High School, and the boys even won a third place plaque from the Muskrat Classic, and a first place trophy from Almont's Foxes and Hounds race. Several girls medaled at a majority of the meets as well.

On top of that, senior Josh Rivard and junior Nathan Scott placed at the regional meet, allowing them to run at Cross Country states held at Michigan International Speedway.

At the end of the year, two runners made their mark on the school placing their names on the Top 20 board. Junior Robin Rogers got on with a time of 20:53 and junior Nathan Scott was placed on there with a time of 16:28.

Head Coach Dan Shafer said, "Our team's positive performances can be attributed to one characteristic: hard work."



Working together to keep themselves going, McKahla Breck (9) and Rachel Winquest (11) push hard after two miles of running.

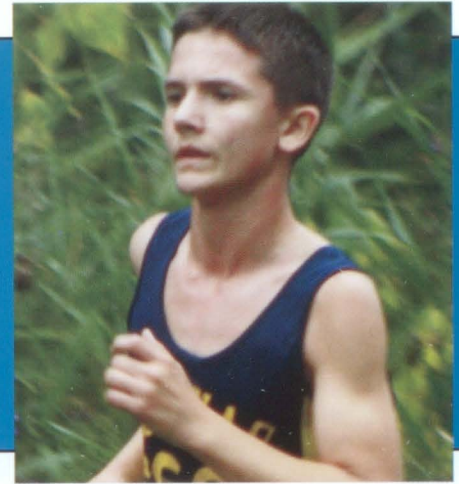
Josh Rivard (12) works to keep his place at the Regionals meet. "Sprinting past the Yale and Lake Shore runners was the hardest part of the race, but one of the high points as well," said Rivard.



"We put on a classic performance," said Dominic Moscone said (12), running Nick Morris (12). The Muskrat Classic was held at Stoney Creek due to renovations involving the Algonac Cross Country course.

Leading a pack and pushing for personal records, Rachel Winqest (11) and Shelby Gulette (10) compete at the regional meet held at Goodells Park.

After a mile of running, Ian Hart (9) tries to keep his pace going at the Marysville Invitational held at Marysville Park. "The courses were unexpected, but it was fun," said Hart.



Cross Country: Front Row: Gordon Marcinkoske, Dominic Moscone, Josh Rivard, Tommy Moehlman, Tyler Peters, Nathan Scott; Second Row: McKahla Breck, Heather Wenk, Holly Hilliker, Robin Rogers, Rachel Winqest, Jenay Moran, Shelby Gulette; Back Row: Coach Rick Hornbaker, Ian Hart, Alex Foote, Miles Stackpoole, Pat Zewatski, Nick Morris, James Mihalich, Trace Petrovich, Brenton Marcinkoske, Coach Megan Hinkle, Coach Dan Shafer



Running in the pack, Robin Rogers (11) looks to push herself for a personal record (PR). "I like the feeling of accomplishment you get when you run a PR or get a medal," said Rogers.

"We support each other and have grown to be almost like family," said Lauren Baxter (11) while waiting for a teammate to finish the race.



Half way across the pool, Kara Gardner (9) completes the first length of the 200 meter race.



"It's hard, and it takes work but it was all worth it in the end," said Anna Megel (9) after finishing her freestyle race at a home meet.



Making WAVES

To know the difference between recreational and competitive swimming, there are only four girls who have the true inside knowledge. These four girls may not make up the majority of the Anchor Bay/Algonac Swim Team, but their lack of representatives is made up by the drive to win.

With junior Lauren Baxter as team captain for the combined team, the AHS girls have great leadership in helping contribute to the team's improvement. Returner Tristan Hart is also a great role model. Hart has been swimming since second grade and has medaled twice. "Swimming takes a ton of determination and commitment. You can't miss practices and you have to really love to swim," said Hart.

Swimming to these girls is more than just fun in the water and with half the team being underclassmen, patience is important in teaching newcomers, freshmen Anna Megel and Kara Gardner, the basics.

All the girls love the experience of becoming part of the team and becoming a family with the rest of the swimmers. Each girl appreciates the people she meets and puts forth everything she has to make the best of herself and the team.



"I've met many new people and gained many friends," said Kara Gardner (9) as she encourages one of her teammates approaching the finish line.

"I get in competition mode by exhaling and telling myself I can win," said Lauren Baxter (11) as she prepares for her race.



Lauren Baxter (11) exhales and relaxes after a tough race at Anchor Bay Aquatic Center.

"It's different than any sport I've ever played. It was much harder and pushed me to my limits," said Kara Gardner (9) after finishing a race.

Tristan Hart (11) takes a much needed deep breath while continuing to push through in the backstroke competition.



Varsity Swim Team; Front Row: Samantha DeBouer, Kate Meyer, Dakota Torino, Lauren Baxter, Jessica Lietaert, Emily Miller, Joslyn Thelen, Leah Marsolais, Lauren Koneczny, Tristan Hart, Allison Moore Back Row: Julie Daniels, Kathleen Zeck, Ashley Sacra, Sarah Lutch, Kara Gardner, Shannon Houf, Anna Megel, Alexis Rea, Kristen Kurtz, Adi Seals, Amanda Jenuwine.



"We all do a cheer before every meet as a team," said Lauren Baxter (11) after a home meet was done and over with.

Playing strong, Megan Lowes (9) works to block the opponent she has to guard using man on man defense.



Alexa Migliore (9) alters her stance as she accurately realigns the ball to make the perfect shot.



With an Imlay City player moving in, Alexa Migliore (9) gains control of the ball and heads towards the basket.



New gym, New team

FRESHMEN FOCUS ON PLAYS

With integrity, agility, discipline, team work, and determination, freshmen girl's basketball took a leap toward success. Even though every game might not have had the successful results and achievements they set out for, new techniques were gained at the end of each game. This provided another chance for the girls to improve in each game.

Freshman Klaudia Watts said, "When we first started out, we had many players that never played before, but throughout the season we all became closer friends and better teammates, improving greatly." In addition to learning new skills and competitive play, the girls were able to use the new gym.

The game is less about whether the team wins, or the fear of losing, it's about having the ability to win or lose without giving up. Coach Chris MacKinder said, "Throw out the record; the season was a blast." Potential was seen throughout each individual as they worked together to reach their goals. With that, the season ended with a very well developed and prosperous team.



With her eye on the basket, Stephanie Henry (9) shoots above the defenders to add two to the score.

Brittany Edwards (9) reaches in an attempt to steal the ball while teammates Klaudia Watts (9) and McKahla Breck (9) back her up.



Keeping her eye on the action, Megan Lowes (9) runs in attempt to capture the ball.



Brittany Edwards (9) makes a quick strategic decision, when confronted by an opposing player, to keep the ball in Muskrat possession.



In a jump shot to determine control, McKahla Breck (9) attempts to jump higher and gain possession of the ball.



Freshmen Girls' Basketball: Front Row: Megan Lowes, Alexa Migliore; Second Row: McKahla Breck, Stephanie Tercha, Stephanie Henry; Back Row: Coach Chris MacKinder, Heather Wenk, Klaudia Watts, Amber Trombley, Brittany Edwards



With Imlay City in possession, Megan Lowes (9), Klaudia Watts (9), and Alexa Migliore (9) play strong defense moving in to steal the ball.

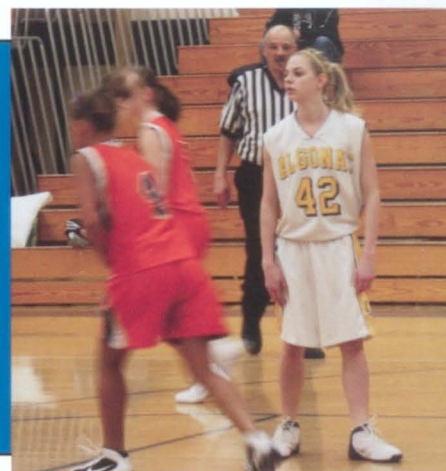
Coach Mark Simms watches his team as they steal the ball away from Armada. "We played as a team and learned the game. I am very proud to be their coach," said Simms.



Fighting for the ball, Chelsey Hart (10) hangs on as an Imlay City opponent tries to steal the ball. Keeping possession of the ball is key in any game.



"Moving up to the JV team really helped me become a better basketball player," said Sam Zakalowski (9) as she keeps her eye on the action.



Heartfelt Games AND TEAM PLAY

With a new coach, Mr. Mark Simms, the JV girls' basketball team took the court by storm. "Even though we weren't the most gifted team in the league, we were the best in the league at giving every thing we had each game," said Coach Mark Simms.

"I liked having Mr. Simms as a coach because he made us work hard, but made the process of team building fun," said sophomore Amanda Stambaugh. Although struggling with their first couple of games, the group of girls has been very dedicated to the team.

With a combination including freshmen on the team, inexperience was one challenge the team faced. "Playing with older girls was more fun because the competition was a lot harder," said freshman Andria Zaidan.

Being a captain for a Junior Varsity team has always been a big responsibility. "Sometimes it was difficult trying to get everyone to listen but when it came time to get serious all the girls cooperated," said captain junior Lauren Fisher. Both captains, juniors Lauren Fisher and Paige Sadlowski, showed much enthusiasm and were great captains throughout the season.

"I felt sad about the season ending. My team was like a family to me," said sophomore Jennifer Warwick. As the end of the season approached the girls and the coach were proud of what they accomplished.

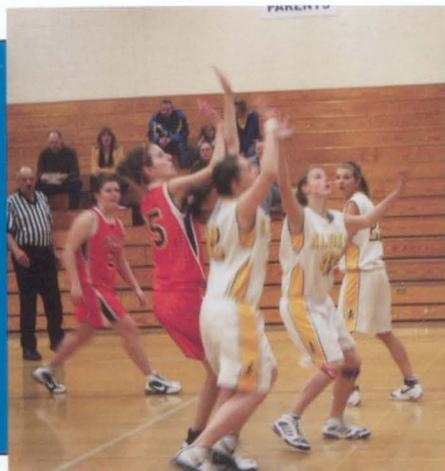


Going for the three pointer, Sam Zakalowski (9) shoots over an Imlay City defender adding a few much needed points to the score board.

Trying to avoid her defender, Shelby Bommarito (10) jukes around the opposing team.



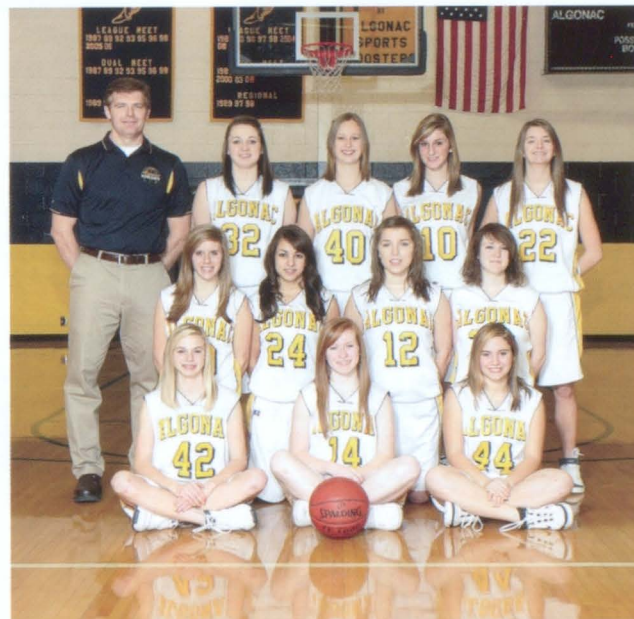
Anticipating the pass, teammates Shelby Bommarito (10), Amanda Stambaugh (10), and Paige Sadlowski (11) take advantage of good position to block Armada.



Recovering after a rebound, Jennifer Warwick (10) fights for the ball to keep it in Muskrat possession.



Bringing the ball up the court, Chelsey Hart (10) passes it to one of her teammates to take a shot.



Junior Varsity Girls' Basketball: Front Row: Samantha Zakalowski, Chelsey Hart, Emily Westbrook; Second Row: Lauren Fisher, Andria Zaidan, Jennifer Warwick, Nicole Gafa; Back Row: Coach Mark Simms, Shelby Bommarito, Amanda Stambaugh, Casey Hinkle, Paige Sadlowski.



Nicole Gafa (10) concentrates on the basket while shooting a free throw during a game against Imlay City.

Striving to score, Kristen Davis (9) maintains control of the ball and pushes through the Richmond Blue Devil defense .



Hannah Schmidt (11) gives it her all as she blocks the Marine City girls from moving the ball any closer to the net.



As the referee blows the whistle, Katie Smith (11) finds the perfect spot to be for maximum defense before the next play begins.



Pushing For VICTORY

With a lot of young members, the girls Varsity basketball team faced unavoidable struggles.

Head coach, Dan Matzka, is new to varsity level, but not coaching all together. Matzka is the former Junior Varsity girls' basketball coach and former assistant coach to the Varsity boy's basketball. To the team's advantage, older members have already played for Matzka in former seasons, so his style is not completely new to them.

The season started off with a few tough losses. During the game against Croswell-Lexington, the Lady Muskrats put up an excellent fight, losing by one point after a buzzer shot. "It was hard and broke our hearts, but everyone played very well so it was hard to be upset with ourselves," said junior Heidi Highstreet. This close call led to many others throughout the season.

Just when the ladies felt defeated they won two spirit-lifting games, one of them being against Richmond. "Watching the team pull together and put their all into the game was very inspirational and amazing to see. I learned a lot this season," said sophomore Amanda Rock.



As the game is about to begin, the girls gather in the center of the court to pump each other up and share words of wisdom.

In an attempt to block the shot, Heidi Highstreet (11) keeps the opposing team from taking the lead.



Sprinting down the court, Kaitlyn Kastler (12) pushes to get the ball to the net. Kastler said, "Being point guard has always been challenging because of all of the pressure put on the ball."



Coach Dan Matzka and assistant coach John Highstreet discuss the previous play with the team and reinforce things that are mandatory to keep in mind.



Carolyn Goodall (12) chases the opposing team to the net. Goodall said, "During the game, it's always important to sprint down the court in order to defend your opponent."

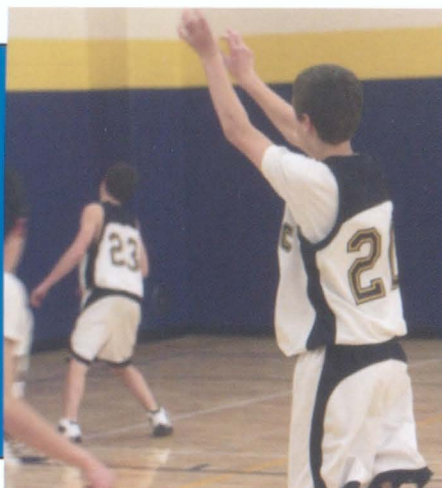


Varsity Girls' Basketball: Front Row: Kaitlyn Kastler, Stacy Rix, Katie Smith; Second Row: Janine Lewandoski, Kellie Smith, Morgan Rorah, Kristen Davis; Back Row: Coach Dan Matzka, Carolyn Goodall, Heidi Highstreet, Amanda Rock, Hannah Schmidt, Coach John Highstreet



Stacy Rix (12) looks for free space to run as she flies toward the basket in attempt to pull up the score.

Steven Beals (9) shoots the ball hoping to make a basket. "We ran drills and got new plays this year to make the season better," said Beals.



Keeping control of the ball, Patrick Zewatski (9) dribbles down the court looking for a teammate to pass to.



Running down the court, Jon DeBoyer (9) keeps his eye on the ball, hoping to get a chance to shoot and led the team to victory.



Adjusting to New COMPETITION

Setting goals and maintaining motivation throughout the season are what kept the boys freshmen basketball team focused. Led by new coach Dan LaDuke, the boys worked to meet team goals. Freshman Christian Kaminski said, "Our team goal was to win and play our best at each game."

This team also had the opportunity to play in the new gym. Freshman James Ruhlman said, "I like playing in the new gym. The floor is grippy so our shoes don't slip."

Competing in a tough BWAC league, the team met challenges throughout the season, particularly against strong Richmond and Cros-Lex teams. Getting a game in the win column was a problem. The team finally met success in the middle of the season. Freshman Patrick Zewatski said, "Imlay City was the opponent on January 28, we won that game by 6. I hit two free throws in the last minute."

The problems throughout the season led to frustration. "I don't know what happened this year because last year we went 7-5 but now we only have 1 win," said freshman Shane Odzark. The freshman boys had a rough start but came together at the end.



Coach Dan LaDuke brings the team in focusing on strategy to keep the ball in Muskart possession.

Taking it to the hoop, Chad Deaner (9) drives past his opponent going for a lay up during the Almont game.



"Our goal this season is to have a winning season, and to do better than we did last year," said Chad Deaner (9) before he was put back in the game to lead his team down the court for added points.



Staying focused, James Ruhlman (9) shoots a foul shot with pressure on him late in the game. Shooting free throws in a loud gym always adds extra pressure to the shooter.



Turrell Lee (9) dribbles the ball before picking it up and with a quick fake, he takes a shot.

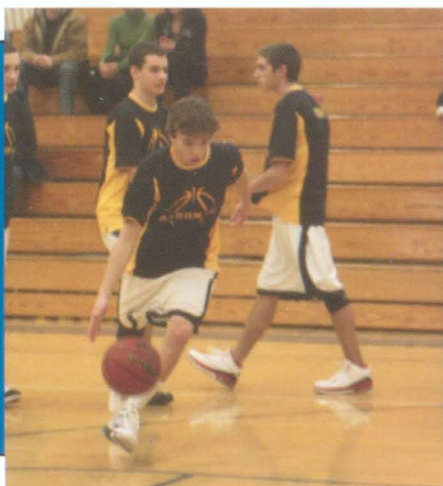


Freshmen Boys' Basketball: Front Row: Chad Deaner, Malcomb Curtis, Joseph Ballard; Second Row: Shane Odzark, James Trebilcock, Patrick Zewatski, Steven Beals, James Ruhlman; Back Row: Turrell Lee, Jon DeBoyer, Matthew Mueller, Parker Gadd, Christian Kaminski, Coach Dan LaDuke.



After stealing the ball from the Almont player, James Trebilcock (9) sprints down the court on a fast break.

Joey Davis (10) warms up before the Imlay City game. "I like two man fast break warm ups because they are fun and challenge some of our abilities," said Davis.



While getting surrounded by the other team's players Dillon Hinkle (10) looks for an open teammate, or an opportunity to shoot and score two points for the team.



During practice Zachary Osborne (9) catches the ball and dribbles it down the court. "Zach Osborne scored 20 points in the Imlay City game," said head coach Keith Zimmerman.



Dribbling down THE COURT

Coach Keith Zimmerman kept the focus on defense for JV basketball. This led to some tough and close games.

Against Imlay City, they faced a tough, nail biting moment. "Will Wright hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer to tie the game," said head coach Mr. Keith Zimmerman. During overtime, the team beat Imlay City with a close 49-48 on the scoreboard.

BWAC competition provided many challenges. "Our toughest opponents were Armada and Capac," said sophomore Evan Manning.

Sophomore Joseph Davis said, "I think defense bought us together." The team worked with Zimmerman, at practices, telling them to strengthen up their defense.

"We never truly mastered the concept of 'team defense.' It could've won us a few more games," said Zimmerman.

"To be a defense is to be one unit, one impenetrable force that stops everything that challenges it," said sophomore Joey Davis.

"It was a fun season, we got to play our favorite sport and even had a close game, intense game against Imlay City," said sophomore Trace Petrovich. The JV team can't wait for next year to play, hopefully, as varsity members and once again dominate the court.



Dillon Hinkle (10) looks for an opening as he dribbles the ball up the court. "I loved the Imlay City game because of the overtime and that we won in the end," said Hinkle.

William Wright (10) goes hard to the basket while opposing players reach all around him to steal the ball, or knock it loose.

Chance Petrovich (11) blocks the other team's opponent so he can get the ball back for the team. "It's awesome when you knock the ball out of the other teams hands," said Petrovich.



Dillon Hinkle (10), covered by an Almont player, looks for an opening so he can get the basketball a little closer to the net and get some points for the Muskrats.



Eric Bartolomucci (10) blocks out an Almont opponent before looking for a teammate to pass to. If a teammate is not open, players look to move around the opposing team.



JV Boys' Basketball: Front Row: Michael Kozel, Cody Presbey, Trace Petrovich; Second Row: Evan Manning, Chase Chauvin, Zachary Osborne, Eric Bartolomucci, Joey Davis; Back Row: Coach Keith Zimmerman, Dillon Hinkle, Jon Murray, Christopher Chockley, William Wright, Chance Petrovich



"We need stronger defense," said coach Mr. Keith Zimmerman while the team focuses on strategizing during a time-out. As coach, Mr. Zimmerman often had to look for flaws in the opposing team and then exploit them for a victory.

"We put many hours into the team and worked hard to improve our record for the year," said Kyle Madaj (11).



Shooting guard Brian DiMaggio (11) starts off with the ball in the middle of the court looking for another open teammate.



Small forward Brian Coughlin (11) works hard, but is light on his feet trying to push the ball past the opposing player.



Scoring FOR KEEPS

When watching the Boys' Varsity Basketball team play one would know these athletes are working hard and putting dedication into this sport to make this season a great one. Their first win against Marine City gave them high hopes for the rest of the season.

"Being on varsity is a lot different than junior varsity, the game is a lot faster and you have to work harder to keep up" said junior Tyler Uhl. Through teamwork and good coaching the team won many games. "I think we did good throughout the season, we cooperated in the games, stepped up the defense, and scored the most points possible for us," said sophomore Collin Davey. "The team and I all had said great things about our drive to succeed in this fast paced game," said Davey.

Something to improve their spirits was their record winning game against the Richmond Blue Devils. Shooting guard Brian DiMaggio scored 40 points in a single game breaking the previous record made by junior Mike Mulligan ('58), who in 1957 scored 35 points against Anchor Bay. "It took a lot of work but it feels really great to break a record for Algonac and myself," said junior Brian DiMaggio.



Tyler Uhl (11) dribbles the ball from his low hip, on an angle that he hopes will keep the ball away from his opponent.

Everyone comes in for a time out, while head Coach John Highstreet, pumps them up with a pep talk about scoring more points in the second half of the game.



Nick Milantoni (12) brings the ball close to the net in hopes of scoring two points for his team in this close game with Cros-Lex.



Shooting guard Brian DiMaggio (11) tries to pass the ball to his other teammates for the next possible play to come into action.



"The hardest team to beat to me has always been Richmond. Next time we're stepping up the defense," said junior Brian DiMaggio.



Varsity Boys' Basketball: Front Row: Tyler Uhl, Kenny Guay, Matthew Wilson; Second Row: Kyle Mikolowski, Ian Babicki, Nicholas Milantoni, Patrick Mytinger, Brian Coughlin; Back Row: Assistant Coach Dan Matzka, Brian DiMaggio, Kyle Madaj, Anthony Ward, Collin Davey, David Casper, Coach John Highstreet.



"Basketball has always been a sport in which dedication and hard work is key," said Tyler Uhl (11).

Allie Lutzky (9) and Kayla Rock (9) cheer on the boys' Junior Varsity basketball team as they head into the locker room after their game.



Nicole Elrod (10) shows her spirit and fires up the crowd as the JV team takes possession of the ball gaining additional yards.



Bailey Roberts (10), Kayla Rock (9), Whitney Blevins (9) cheer on the JV boys' basketball team and prepare to do a toe touch.



Practice Makes PERFECT

Being a cheerleader can make you an important person in high school because of the spirit you show for your school's sports teams. The Junior Varsity cheerleading team does the best they can to boost the confidence of our Junior Varsity boys' basketball and football teams.

During football season they are willing to stand outside in the cold just so our school can fight for the touchdown. They travel from school to school to help our teams' spirit go up.

"My favorite memory from the season was the Imlay City game in the rain. Dancing in our ponchos and getting yelled at by Coach Turrell the next day." Said junior Katie Borowicz.

Being a cheerleader isn't as easy as it looks. These girls practice as hard and as much as they can so that they can do their best to show all the spirit they have in them. Cheerleaders practice almost every day during the week and a lot over the summer so that our football and basketball teams can have confidence when they have a game.

"I mostly liked getting to lead a great group of cheerleaders that love to have fun," said captain freshman Kayla Rock.

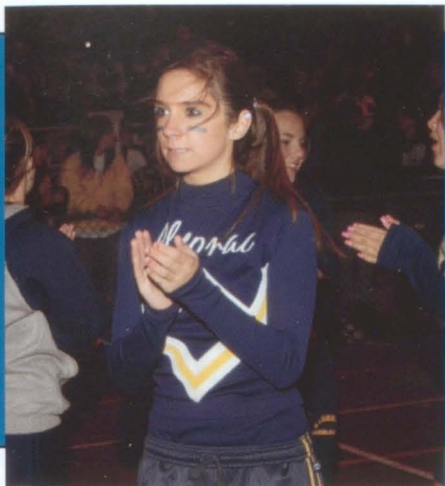


JV cheerleaders cheer as they wait for the Varsity football team to run onto the field for the homecoming game. Traditionally both squads combine for this game.

Building excitement JV cheerleaders respond to another basket during an exciting game against rival Richmond.



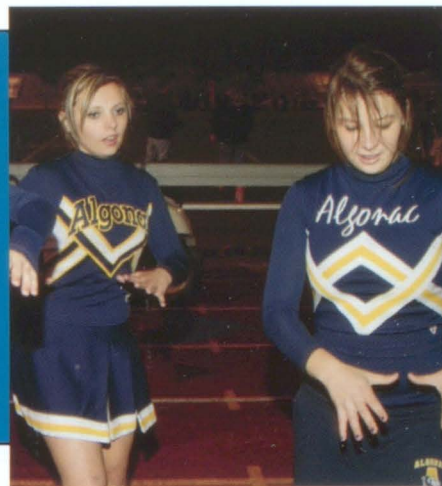
After a successful game, Amber Ballard (11) continues cheering as the junior varsity football team shakes hands with the opposing team.



Kayla Rock (9) and Whitney Blevins (9) do their best to cheer on the crowd as the team scores another basket.



Joining the Varsity cheer team, JV cheerleaders Shelby Westergarrd (10) and Lindsey Reid (11) dance to the beat of the band at the homecoming game.



JV Cheerleaders Football Season: Front Row: Jacquelyn Saums, Ashley Furtah, Amelia Wilson, Lauren Fett, Savannah O'Neil, Shelby Westergarrd
Second Row: Lindsey Reid, Joelle Roberts, Amber Ballard, Taylor Yax, Kayla Rock, Katie Borowicz, Brittany Colotti
Back Row: Chelsie Warwick, Tejaun Kleeman, Whitney Blevins, Bailey Roberts, Nicole Elrod, Coach Minna Turrell.



JV Cheerleaders Basketball Season: Allie Lutzky, Kayla Rock, Coach Michelle Wykowski, Whitney Blevins, Bailey Roberts, Joelle Roberts

In the midst of a cheer, Kristin Schultz (12) and Veronica Casey (10) shout to the crowd. Rain or shine, the cheerleaders are there with smiles on their faces.



As the score rises, the Varsity Cheerleaders display their toe touches. "Doing our jumps at the games really helps us to get them higher," said Julia McKee (10).



Before an anticipated Friday night game, the cheerleaders hold up a sign to pump up the Varsity Football team. After the boys say their team prayer, they bust through the sign and onto the muskrat feild.



Flying High and SHOUTING LOUD

Instead of basking in the sun, the Varsity Cheerleaders spent the summer with early morning practices, fundraising and preparing for the fall season. Successful fundraising included an afternoon spent waitressing at the Marine City Big Boy and a can and bottle drive to raise money. "The Big Boy fundraiser went really well. A lot of people showed up to support us," said junior Julie Ruemenapp.

In August, the Varsity Cheerleaders attended cheer camp at Cheer! Michigan where they learned new cheers, stunts and dances. Once the school year rolled around, their main focus shifted to the homecoming pep assembly dance and working together as a team. "This year's team was a great group of girls. They worked very hard and remained positive all season," said Mrs. Minna Turrell.

As football season came to an end, coach Turrell announced that she could no longer be the varsity cheerleading coach. Mrs. Michelle Wykowski stepped up to coach and took on the responsibility. With a new coach and a young team, the girls were unable to participate in the BWAC cheerleading competitions.

Without competing, they concentrated more on supporting the Varsity Boys' Basketball team. They cheered at each game and hosted a dinner for the boys to encourage them. Along with new cheers, a new coach and a new team, the Varsity Cheerleaders remained spirited and determined. "I am very proud of the cheerleaders this year. We really improved from where we started," said senior Kristin Schultz.



Getting involved with the fans is a cheerleaders specialty. Sarah Desmet (10) and Kelly Schultz (9) lead the crowd with a victory cheer.

Trailing behind the Varsity Boys' Football team, Shelby Ross (11) glows with excitement while walking in the annual homecoming parade.



Standing proud, Amelia Wilson (9) and Jacquelyn Saums (9) stand by to show support and encouragement for the Varsity Boys' Basketball team after the Richmond game.



Staying on beat, the Varsity Cheerleaders dance to the music of the band. "I like dancing to the band. I like being pepped up!" said Megan Fisher (12).



In between each quarter, the Varsity Cheerleaders show off their stunts. Flier Sara Trombly (10), back spot Emily Girardin (10) and bases Sarah Desmet (10) and Lauren Galdys (10) perform a hitch to pump up the crowd.

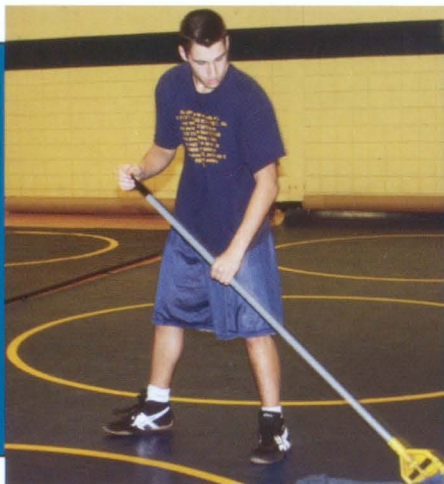


Varsity Cheeleading Football Season: Front Row: Sara Trombly, Megan Fisher, Veronica Casey, Julie Ruemenapp, Sarah Desmet, Lauren Galdys
Second Row: Kyla Loper, Julia McKee, Kristin Schultz, Alyssa Rogers, Sarah Fidler
Back Row: Coach Minna Turrell, Melissa Ahlgren, Emily Girardin, Shelby Ross, Meredith Wykowski, Kelly Schultz



Varsity Cheerleading Basketball Season: Front Row: Sara Trombly, Lauren Galdys
Second Row: Jacquelyn Saums, Julia McKee, Amelia Wilson, Sarah Desmet
Back Row: Melissa Ahlgren, Meredith Wykowski, Coach Michelle Wykowski, Emily Girardin, Kelly Schultz

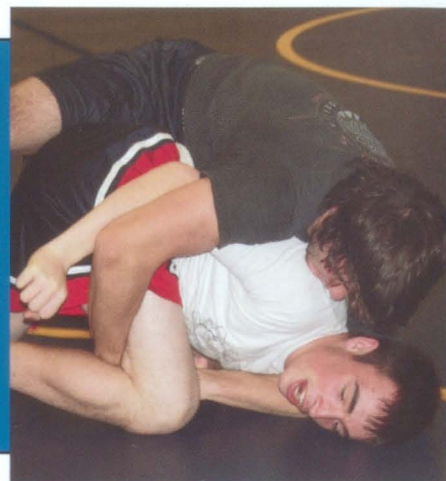
Thurlo Minhinnick (10) mops up the mats before practice. Without clean wrestling mats, the team could face diseases like ringworm or even staph infections, so they are mopped before every single practice to stave off the diseases.



Zach Lowes (10) tries to bring his teammate to the ground in a practice. Most of the wrestling practices involve learning new moves, and then practicing them on one another.



Carson Marlow (11) practices reversing moves so he can stand up and get points for the team. "Reversals are important so you can get back on your feet and gain some points," said Marlow.



Wrestling Rats

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Not many sports require the pure power of muscle like wrestling. Using every ounce of strength to pin a human being to the ground is no easy feat, but the AHS Wrestling team makes it look that way.

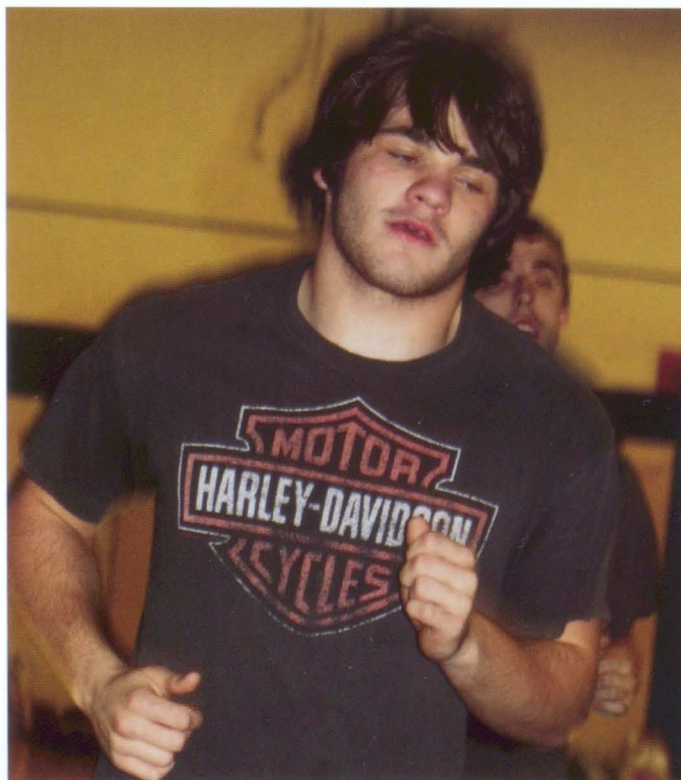
"It's a group with a lot of talent," said Mr. James Baker, the team's head coach. The team finished off the season beating out Cros-Lex, Yale, and Armada in the BWAC area.

The wrestling Muskrats also have a new trophy to add to the showcase with their first place district win. "It was exhilarating winning, a great time in my life," said junior Zach Lowes. The team beat Lutheran North, 64-12 and then headed to the semi-finals to face off with Mount Clemens, destroying them in a 72-6 victory.

"Last year we watched another team come into our districts and take the trophy, we knew this year that we wanted to win it," said Baker. The trophy is now in a showcase for the school to see.

The Muskrats then competed at Dundee's regionals, beating out four other teams to advance to the semi-finals. They were out-wrestled unfortunately.

The team had a lot of fun over the season, winning several matches, getting food after meets, and messing around with one another. "They're a great group of kids," said Baker.

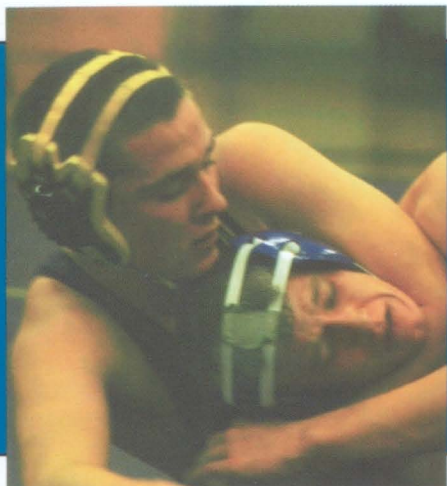


Mickey Devlin (11) warms up with the wrestling team before practice. "Warming up is time consuming, but we have to do it," said Devlin. Warming up is vital so the wrestlers don't strain their muscles

John Thielk (11) locks in with a Cros-Lex wrestler in their home quad-meet. "Wrestling is intense. It requires a lot of work," said Thielk.



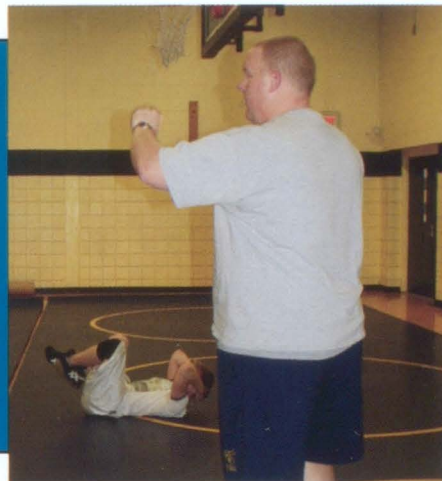
Will Churchill (12) puts a Cros-Lex wrestler into a headlock at a home meet. "Wrestling is just a rush of adrenaline. I really like it," said Churchill. Churchill went on to win his match against the Cros-Lex wrestler.



Juan Alvarez (10) tries to keep a Cros-Lex wrestler from standing up. Juan fought hard for three rounds, but in the end lost to the Cros-Lex wrestler by only a few points. "It was a little upsetting," said Alvarez.



Coach James Baker keeps time as the wrestlers do sit-ups before they start practice. "We do running, pushups, and other stuff before we start wrestling. Warming up is pretty important in any sport," said Baker.



Varsity Boys' Wrestling; Front Row: Chris Boisvert, Zach Lowes, Cody Strassburg, Jake Fredericks; Second Row: Juan Alvarez, Mickey Devlin, James Gill, Carson Marlow, Will Churchill, Brandon Balough; Back Row: Coach Bill Jordan, Thurlo Minhinnick, John Hintzman, Eric Heim, John Thielk, Kevin Krause, Coach James Baker



Kevin Krause (9) prepares for his first match against a Cros-Lex wrestler. Before each match, the wrestlers shake hands to show good sportsmanship and then the referee blows the whistle to signal the start of the match.

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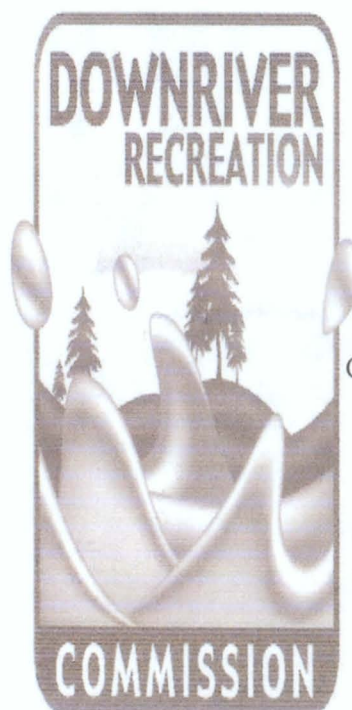
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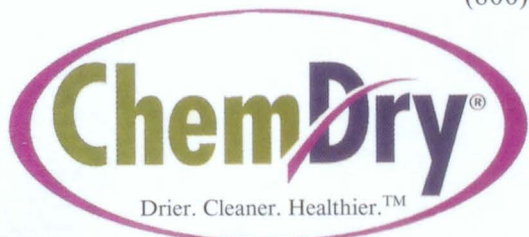
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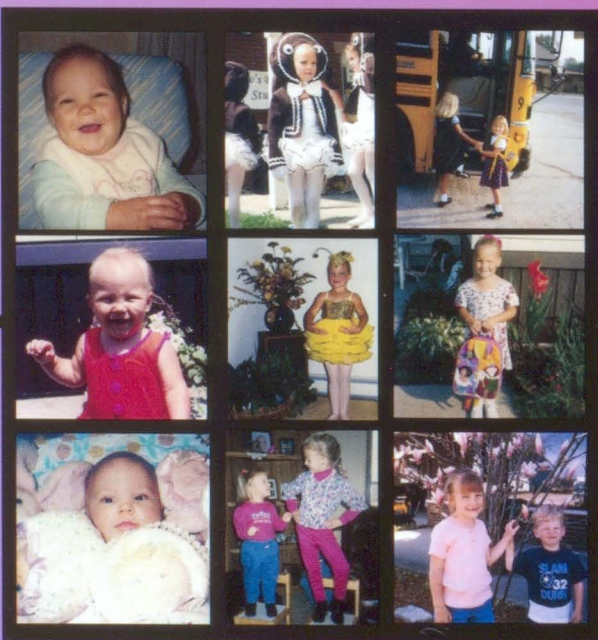
We are all so proud of you, and also
glad this year is done. Now you can
move on in your life. You make us
smile watching you with all the little
kids. You have such a passion
inside that drives your ambitions.

Shelby Byerly

Keep moving in the right direction.
We love you more than life itself.
Love,
Mom & Dad, Kourtney & Cardell,
Baby Kalli & everyone else!



Shelby Piper



Shelby Rose -

Watching you grow up has filled my heart with
fond memories. You're funny, kindhearted and
compassionate. You're opinionated, strongwilled,
and you own a voice that can be heard. These
qualities ensure you a promising future, that
I'm excited to be able to watch unfold. I believe
you will do great things, and have many
surprises in store for us. You have become a
beautiful lady inside and out, that any mother
would be proud of. Congratulations, and I love
you more than words can express!

- Love Mom

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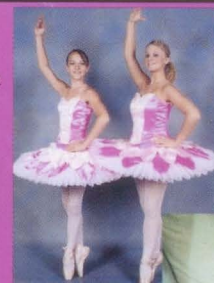
I am proud of you in so many ways...

you're doing great! Keep working hard, focus
on your dreams, set your goals high and keep
giving 100%.

You're heading towards great things!

I love you xoxo

Dad



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Rachel,

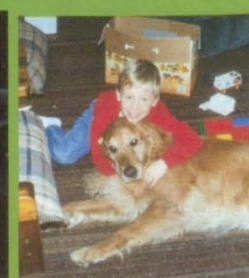
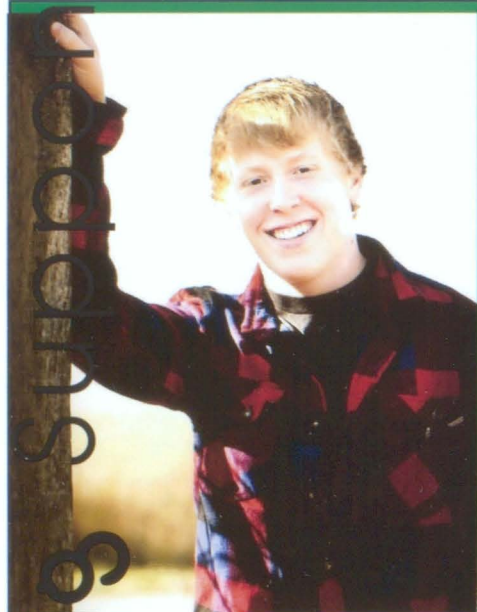
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As you begin your college career we are confident that you will not only succeed, but will excel in fulfilling your dreams for the future. We will always be here with all the love and support that parents can have for a child. As proud of you as we are, it is hard to watch you grow up. For no matter how old you are, to us you will always be our little girl.

*All Our Love,
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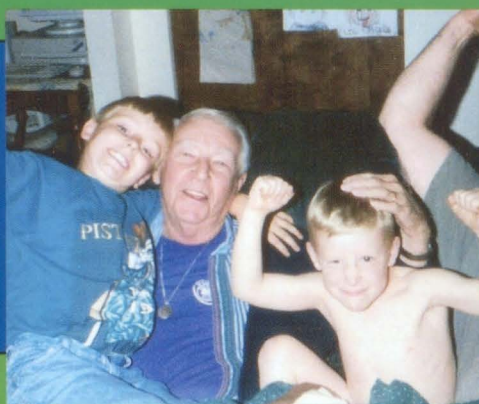
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Craig,

I really don't know where to start. First, I'm very proud of all of your accomplishments. I know you will achieve your goal as becoming a Law enforcement officer. I know your dream is to enter either the FBI, DEA, ATF or to become a local Police Officer. Just remember to study hard to achieve your goal. One good thing about attending CMU, you will have your brother close to you. I'll miss you while you're at college, but I am more proud knowing you're on the right path. I will miss my fishing and hunting partner. Remember, make it home when you can to do what we like to do. Craig, never forget you have people who love you and will always be by your side. I wish you the best in the future. I love you very much, DAD



Craig,

I want you to know how very proud I am of you. I know you have a strong personality, tell it like it is never hold anything back. That is you. Stay strong and determined to succeed in your dreams to go to college to become a police officer. I know you can do anything you put your mind to. I will miss you more than you know. Just remember I will always be there for you. Please stay caring, loving and keep everyone laughing. Be happy.

I know Grandma and Grandpa Trempler would be so proud of you too. Always keep their loving memory in your heart.

I am very proud of you Craig
May all your dreams come true

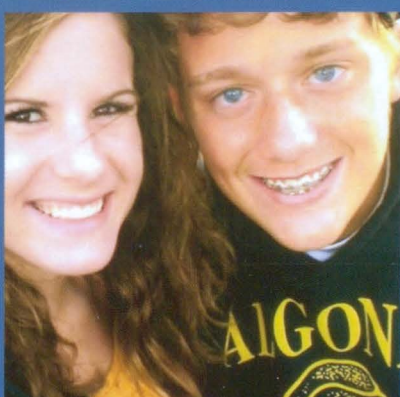
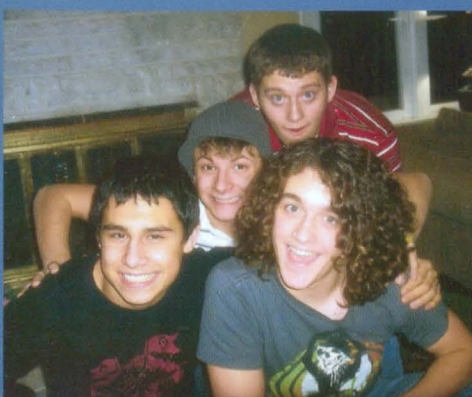
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All my love forever and always, Mom

Ryan Belisle



I'm so proud of you! You've brought love, laughter, and sunshine into my life and calmness into my heart! To see you laughing, smiling, and content in the man you're becoming, striving towards your goals and dreams you've set for yourself. You're an extraordinary person and I'm blessed to be your mom!

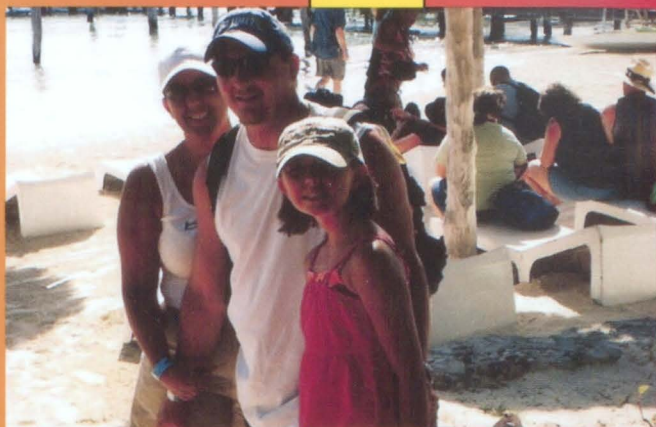


Good luck with continuing your education at Saginaw Valley State University! (Go Cards!) Always keep God in your heart and lean on Him for everything!

I love you gobs, Batman!
Love, mom & papa



Alexandra



Ally,

Our little princess is all grown up. You are the light of our lives; you continue to exceed our expectations in so many ways. You amaze us by your self discipline, your tenacity, and your career goals, never straying once; you are going to make an excellent Dentist one day "Dr. Ally".

You have made us both proud to say "That's Our Girl" whether it was in your grades, sports, awards or just in everyday life. It seems like just yesterday we were sending you off to kindergarten, now you're beginning the next chapter of your life, you will meet new people, go to new places, and try new things. We want you to remember to make good decisions, remember what we taught you, remember to love who you are and where you are at every moment, remember to take chances and make mistakes, but learn from them they will make you stronger.

Life can be confusing at times, but it's also full of surprises. Remember to make time for yourself, to enjoy your own company, but most of all remember to BE HAPPY...

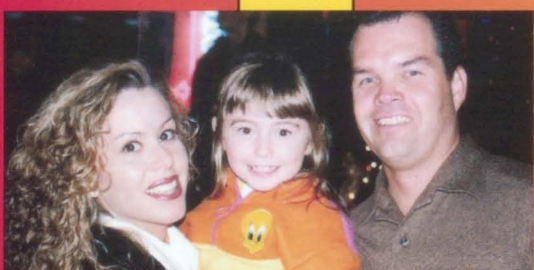
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Ally,
With one journey complete another one begins...
Remember to always BELIEVE in yourself and you can achieve anything...

We couldn't have asked for a more precious Niece...
Thank you for allowing us to be part of your wonderfully amazing life...
We are so proud of you...

We Love You,
Aunt Bee, Aunt Suzi, Aunt Ginny



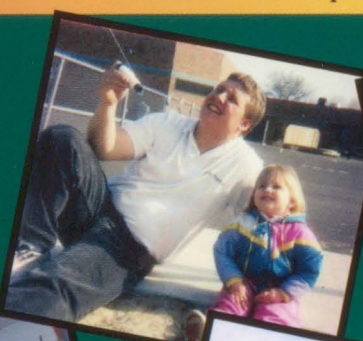
We are so Proud of You and all you have accomplished...

We love you,
Nana & Papa

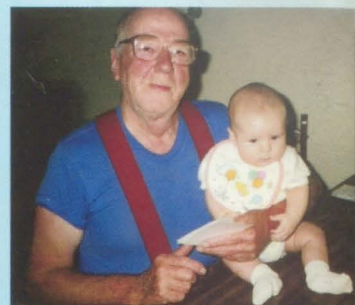
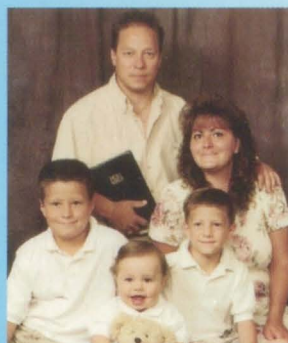
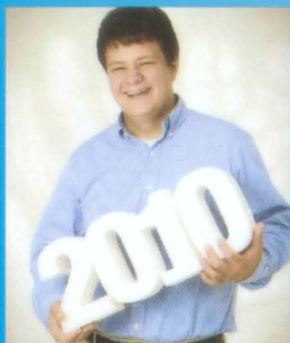
Julia Martin

All the years,
you made it through!
I hope you know
we are very proud of you!
Life changes so quickly,
little time to rest.
Go find your future,
you deserve the best!

--All our love
Your very Proud Family--
Mom, Dad, Monica



Jesse DeRue



Jesse,
You're a special blessing from God. He gave you to us. We loved, honor and treasured you from the moment you were born. We tried to raise you up the right way---the way you should go. We do admit we weren't perfect. We had some bumps along the way. But nevertheless, we hope you keep traveling down the road that you know in your heart is right. You are a very special young man. God has blessed you in so many ways. We are so very proud of you. What a blessing you have been in our life. We love you!

"CONGRATULATIONS!!"

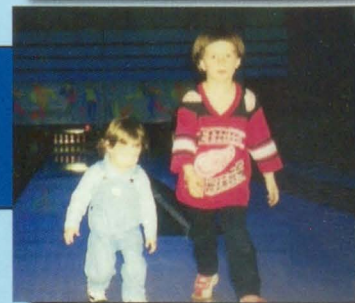
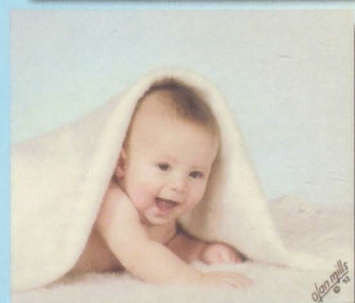
Love,
Dad & Mom

Hey Jesse,
Thanks for being a big encouragement in my life.

"CONGRATS!"

Love Your Bro,
Joe

Jesse,
You're a big man now!
Love Your Other Brother,
Joel

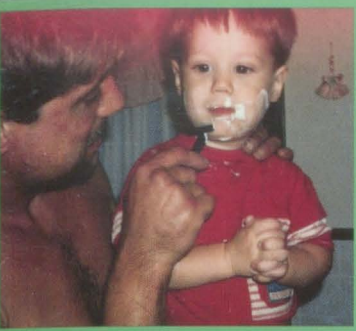


Kenneth Guay



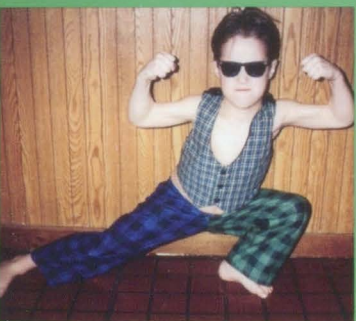
My Dearest Ken,

This day came fast!! I am very proud of your academics, sports ability, and awards. God blessed me with a perfect son. Your amazing mind, kind heart, humor, determination, and competitiveness will be great assets in life. I love you k-dogg and am always here for you! Mom



Kenny,

It's a pleasure (and a pest) to have a brother like you. You're a wonderful person with many capabilities. If you work hard, good things will come. I know that dad is smiling down from heaven because of how proud he is! Although you're a young man, you'll always be my annoyingly cute LITTLE brother! I love you and the friendship we have. Danielle

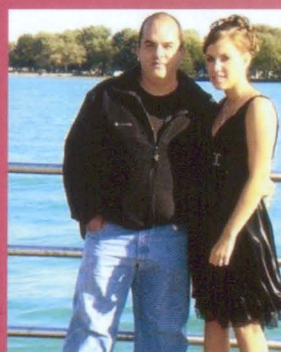


Danielle Lipa

Congratulations Danielle!!!!,

Pride doesn't even begin to express the feeling you give us. Your accomplishments are only stepping stones to the obvious ability to achieve anything you put your mind to. Continue to set your goals and with love and support, we will be there smiling in the background!! We love you forever and always!

Mom, Dad, Markus & Heather



Parent Assistant

AJ Hoover



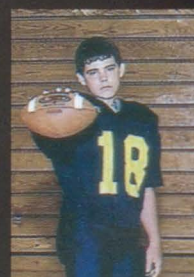
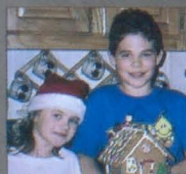
AJ,

Woohoo!! YOU DID IT! We are so PROUD of YOU! It wasn't always easy but you worked hard and SUCCEED like we knew you would. Just goes to show you, YOU can accomplish ANYTHING you put your mind to. As you get ready to head out for college remember a few things..... *First and foremost - remember who YOU are and NEVER change for anyone *ALWAYS lead NEVER follow *LIVE life to the FULLEST *Do what makes YOU HAPPY *DON'T be in too much of a hurry because like they say "Time flies when you're having FUN." So take sometime to ENJOY the MEMORIES. We will ALWAYS be here for you and WE LOVE YOU!!!!!!
LOVE, Mom and Dad



AJ
I can't believe that you are already graduating. I know that we have been through some tough times, but we always got through them. No matter what happens I know that you will always be there for me! Thanks for being such a great big brother!

Love your little sister
Tori



AJ Hoover

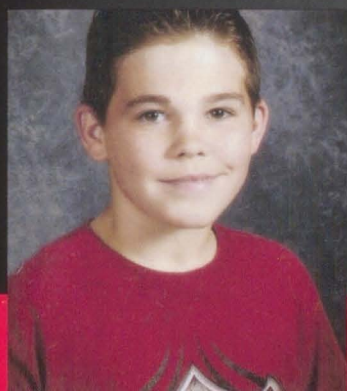
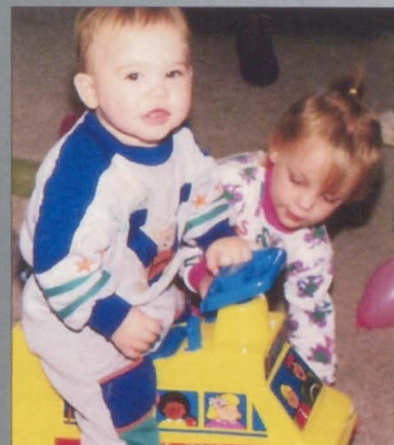


A.J.

You have been a great joy in our lives. We wish you well in your life ahead and in everything you do.

Love,

Mimmie & Pippie

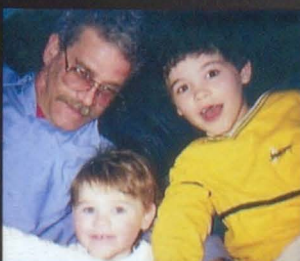
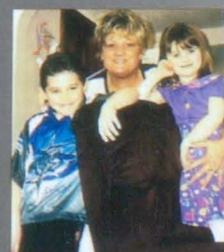


A.J.

We've watched you grow from our "Flipper" into a very handsome, strong and responsible man. We are proud to call you our Grandson. Good luck in all your future endeavors. And may your future be as bright as your smile. We love you more than you know.

Love,

Oma & Opa



AJ Hoover



A.J.

Where did the years go???
One minute you're this cute baby boy and in a blink of an eye you have grown into this handsome young man. You are a strong, intelligent, creative, funny, and caring man. You can accomplish anything you put your mind to. I am so very proud of you!!

My advice to you is to live life to the fullest and with NO regrets. Life is too short.

Love Your Favorite Aunt!!
Aunt Tera



Nicole,

It seems like yesterday when you were getting your first haircut, now you're graduating. We are so proud of you.

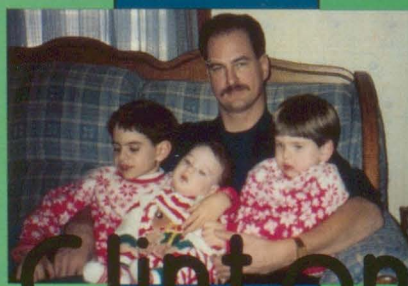
We Love you,
Mom & Dad

Nicole Cober

Clinton,
You are our last precious boy to graduate. No more tennis matches, meetings and conferences. As you leave for Western next fall, you will take a lot of great memories with you.

We are very proud of you Bone. You have worked hard and made good decisions. Thanks for being a great son and little brother to Tommy and Justin! We love you and are always here for you!

Love,
Mama & Daddy



Clinton Neuner



Kyle LaParl

Kyle-

What happened?
You've grown up so fast from my little man to a young man. Congratulations and good luck on whatever path you decide to follow. I'm so proud of you.

Love-

Mom, Dakota, and Reggie



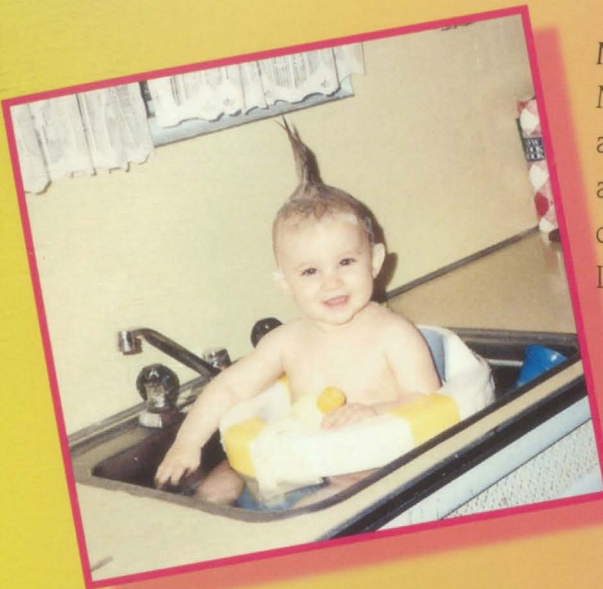
Congratulations babycakes

Love,
Grandma and Grandfather

Madeline Ather

Maddie-Bumba-Ladde

Maya Angelou wrote, "A bird doesn't sing because it has an answer, It sings because it has a song..." We know you will always have a song, because of the gentle strength of your character and all the love in your life! We are very proud of you! Love forever, Nono and Gram



You came to us a special treasure. Live everyday knowing the truth and you will surround yourself with those who will treat you accordingly! Love Uncle Bobo, Aunt Penny, Sammy, Leo, and Sophia



Madeline Lee-

Wow! Congratulations to you...you are my shining star - what a beautiful lady you've become. We couldn't be more proud. May all your dreams come true, and no matter where you are or what you're doing, I will be your constant.

All our love,
Mother and Jon



Maddie,
Congratulations! We are very proud of you and love you very very much! Love Dad, Heather, and Amber



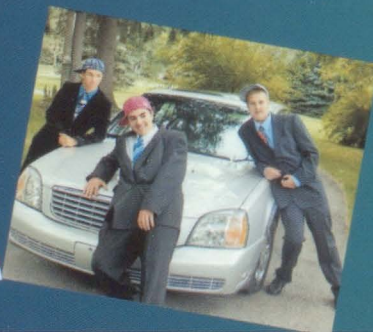
We love you
Maddie and we're
proud of you!
Grammie and
Grandpa Ather



Good job Maddie! We believe in you and all that you can do.
Love,
Aunt Candy, Uncle John, and Kacy Raye XOX



Ryan Waite



Ryan,
Through the years you have overcome several obstacles with your strength and determination. You have grown into an amazing young man! We wish you the best, with lots of success and few troubles, as you begin life's journey.

Remember...keep smiling, reach for the stars, and know that we love you and are very proud of you! Way to go, you did it!

Congratulations!

XOXOXOXO

Mom, Dad, Julia and Emily

Kristin Schultz



Kristin,

We can't believe you're graduating already. Time went by so fast. You have your whole life ahead of you, and we know you will go far in life. Keep Smiling.

Love, Mom & Dad



Kristin,

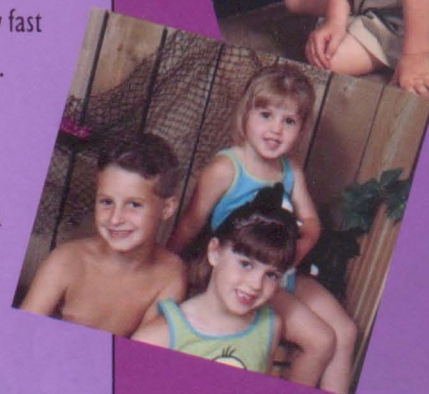
Congratulations on finally graduating. I remember when we were little, graduating seemed so far away. We used to talk about how long it was going to take for me to graduate. Now the time has come for you to walk in your own cap and gown. It's crazy how fast time flies. I wish you luck in everything you choose to do in life.

Love, Tim

Kristin,

I cannot believe you are graduating already. We have so many good memories together. Even though it might seem like we fight a lot, I know you will always be there for me. I hope you know that I will always be there for you too. Thank you for being a great sister.

Love always, Kelly



Megan Fisher

Megan,

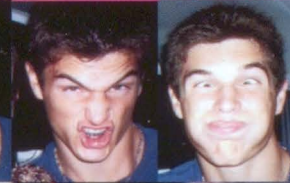
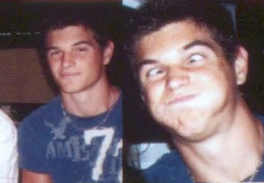
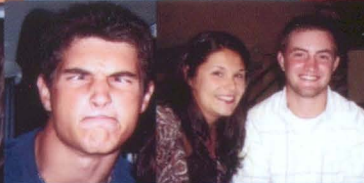
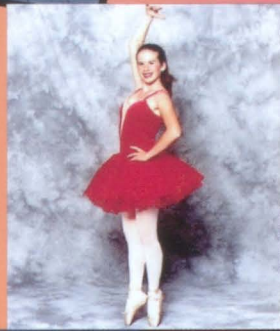
You were our peanut baby who, so quickly, has become an intelligent, confident, beautiful young woman. You have been true to yourself and we are proud of the person you have become. Go Blue!

Love, Mom and Dad

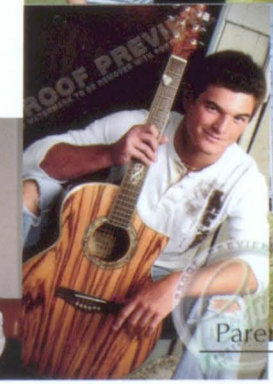
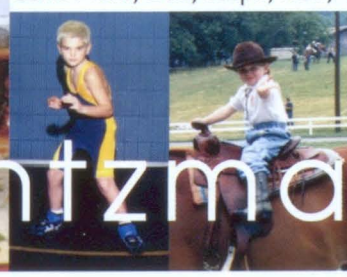
Megan,

You've never left me for so long, but you are now going off to college. Know that I'm proud to call you my sister. I love you! M Go Blue!

Love, Lauren



John,
The past 18 years have been some of the most enjoyable years of our lives. Watching you grow and develop from a newborn to the fine young man that you are now, has been such a rewarding experience that words cannot justifiably describe. We are so proud of you and your accomplishments and hope that you continue to achieve everything you desire in the years to come.
Love Mom, Dad, Steph, Rob, Grandma & Grandpa

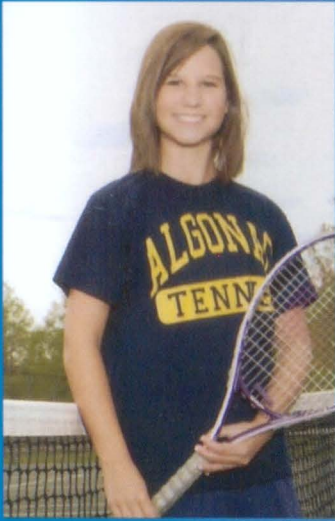


John Hintzman

Kaitlyn Casper

Kaitlyn,

Wow, 18 years old and graduating. Where did the time go? Seems like yesterday you were my little girl. Now you've turned into a beautiful young lady with a bright future. I'm so proud of you for everything you've accomplished so far and I know you'll make a great nurse someday. Just stay true and your dreams will come true. No matter what happens or where you go in life you will always be my little pickle. Love, Dad



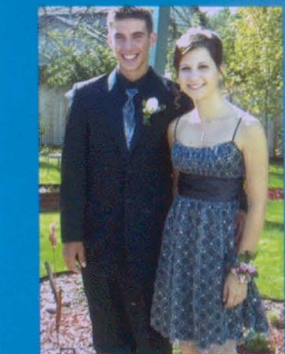
Sweetie:

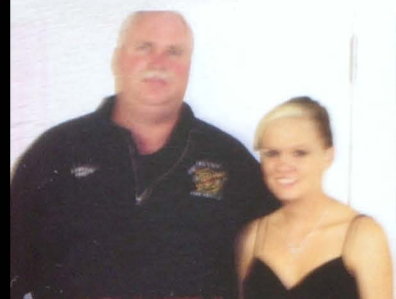
I can't believe you're all grown up and graduating. It seems like yesterday when you were going off to kindergarten, and now you'll be going off to college. I'm so proud of the person you have become.

When you were born the doctor said "What a beautiful baby girl!" and you truly are, inside and out. I love you very much and I hope all your dreams come true. Love, Mom

Congratulations Kaitlyn! I am so proud of your achievements. You've worked so hard all year. I know you'll do great in college! Love, (your brother) Eric

Kaitlyn,
Congratulations!
You are finally
done. Good luck
with college.
I love you,
Dominick



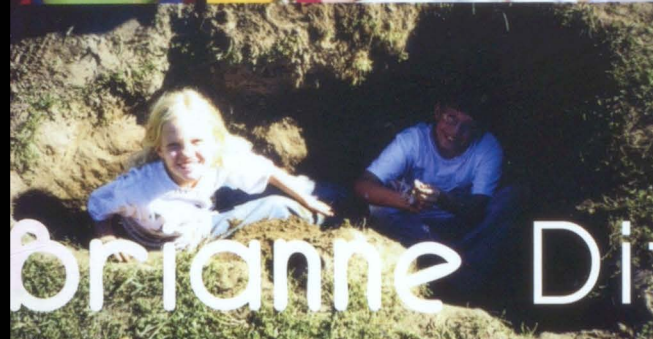


Breezy,

You have always known what you want and you go for it. That beautiful smile of yours has cheered up many people in your life. Stay strong to your beliefs and keep that smile going. Remember always, "This is the day the Lord has made."

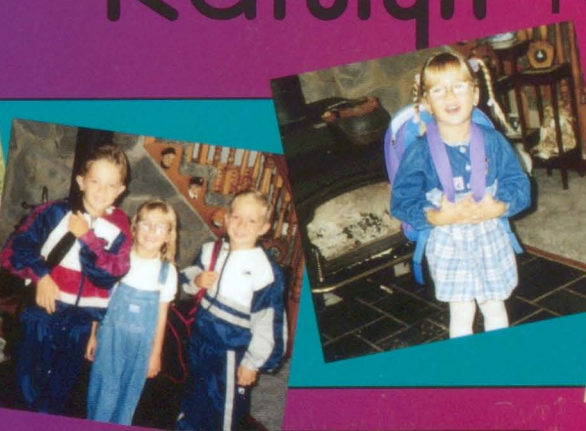
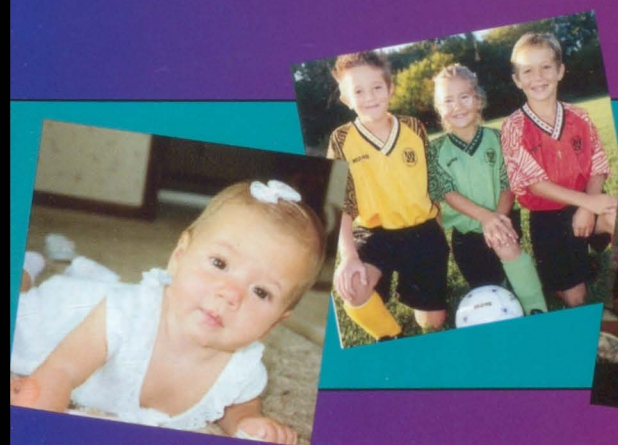
Love,

Gram, Mom, Dad, Brent, Mallory & the Aunts



Brianne Ditto

Kaitlyn Kastler



You have brightened up our lives with memories and dreams in the years past. You have made us so proud in everything that your heart sets out to do. As you go off to college and start this exciting new chapter in your life, remember to stop and enjoy every single second and moment. Whatever you do, do it with all your heart.

You're someone we can count on when we need a helping hand. You're compassionate and loving and you always understand. We are so thankful to have a daughter like you; there is no other who could fill your shoes.

Most importantly, never settle for less than what you know you are worth. Always remember we love you and that we are always here for you, for tears, laughs and a place to come home to. We are so proud of you.

Love, Dad and Mom



Congratulations Katie:

You have made a Grandmother very proud with all of your accomplishments and on top of it all, you are such a sweetheart.

Love you, Grandma

Alexis Aslakson

Congratulations on your graduation. I'm very proud of you. You have the greatest personality a father can ask for. Lex loved to swim in the lake just like a muskrat! I can't believe my little girl is all grown up. May all your dreams come true.

Love Dad



Alexis we love you very much. You were grandma's special little girl growing up. We're so proud of you. Love Grandma & Grandpa

Andrew Lalapi

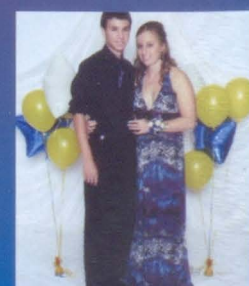
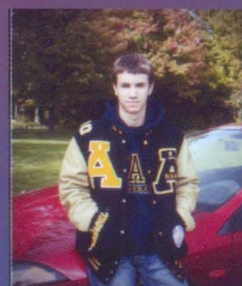
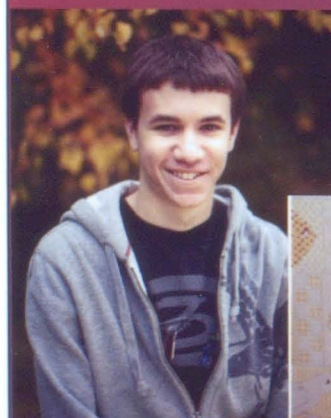
Andrew, you were our 1st born, the apple of everyone's eye! I don't know where time has gone, you've turned into the sweetest young man! Now your graduating, your opportunities are endless, believe in yourself and follow your dreams. We are very proud of you and love you very much. We will always be here to love and support you. Good luck with the next chapter of your life, we can't wait to see where it takes you.

All our love, Mom, Dad and Marcie



Dear Andrew,

You made my high school experience so much more exciting than I thought it would be! I'm so glad I met you my freshman year. I hope you have a great time in college and achieve all your dreams. You mean the world to me! Congratulations! I love you, Danielle



Andrew Paquette

We are so proud that you have grown into a wonderful young man. We wish you the best and continue to be the sweet, kind person we love.

Love Grandpa and Grandma Paquette

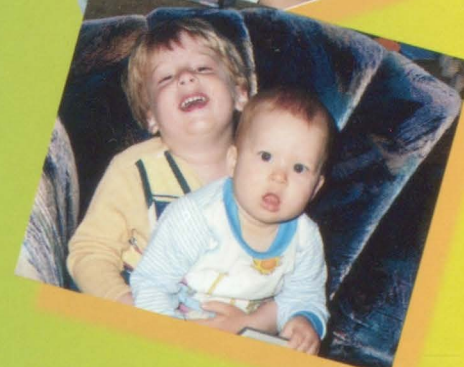
Andrew,

I can not believe that you are graduating from high school. It seems like only yesterday you were in grade school. We are so proud of you, in all that you have accomplished in all the years of your life, and we are very proud of you and we love you very much. Good luck in the future.

Love always Mom and Dad

Congratulations, love you.

Love, Danielle

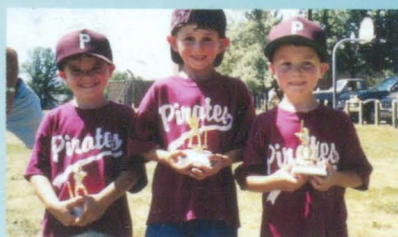


Ronnie,
We're so proud of you. As your high school years come to an end, a new journey begins. Always believe in yourself and you will succeed. We know you'll do fine at college and we will miss you. We will always be here for you.

Love,
Mom, Dad and Chelsey

Wishing you a happy and prosperous future.

Love,
Grandma, Aunt Marj and Uncle Gabe



Good luck, Doc!
Auntie Jan



Ronald Schroeder

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Autumn Colotti



Autumn Marie Colotti
Aug 5 1992 7 Lbs. 5 Oz.

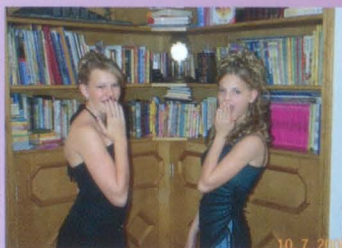
Autumn,

You are the joy of our lives and we love you so much. To see our first born turn into a beautiful young lady makes us very proud.

You are a beautiful Artist and a lovely Singer, these are some of the many things that you do that made us very happy and proud of you. We love to hear you play your flute; you play so beautifully that you can be a great musician one day.

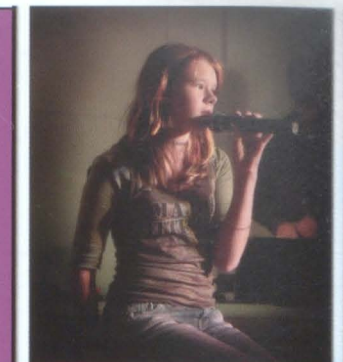
We know you will accomplish anything you decide to be in life and you should always know we will support you 100%.

Going to College next school year will be a big step for you and we know you will do great. Think positive and you will be able to do anything. With all our love Mommy and Daddy

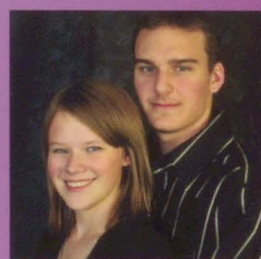


Autumn,
Congratulations, I'm
happy you're graduating.
I love you.
Brittany

Autumn,
Love you forever.
Tim

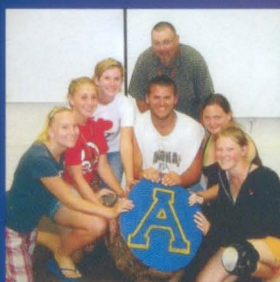
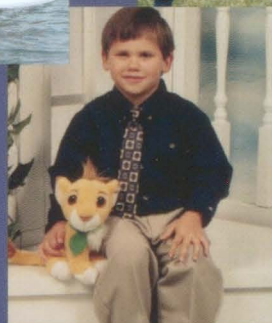
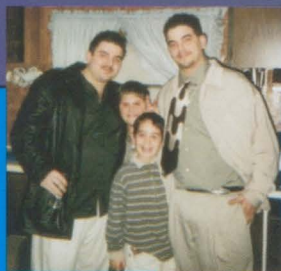


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Michael Marotta

Michael,
May you never forget that I have been blessed to have you as my Grandson. I told you to not use anything bad that happened to you as an excuse to not realize your dreams, and you have listened. I know that you will be a success. Know that you are loved and I am so very proud of you. Now it is off to WMD and new adventures!
Love you, Grandma



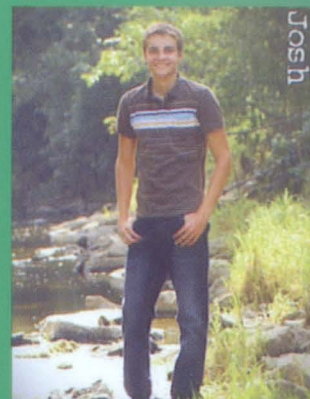
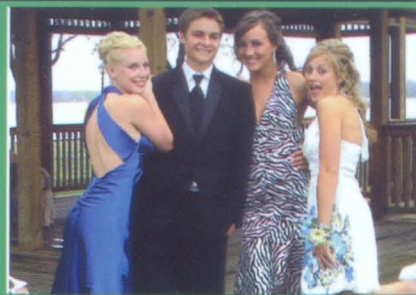
Michael,
It seems like yesterday you were 12 years old and off to the 6th grade. I am so fortunate that I was able to be a big part of your life. You are a great kid, with big dreams, and I believe you will succeed in all you strive for.

I love you,
Andrea



Michael,
I love you and am so proud of you! I know you will be a success at anything you do. I will always look up to you and what a great person you are.
Love, Angelo

Joshua Rivard



We love you and are so proud of you! Your attitude, determination, confidence and motivation have made you an awesome son and student. You make us laugh at your antics and beam with pride at your accomplishments. We send you into the world knowing you will succeed.

Love,
Mom and Dad

My baby brother is graduating! I remember when I called you a baby and you looked at me and said, "I'm not a baby, I'm Josh Rivard!" I am proud of your accomplishments, from awesome grades in school to Track and Cross Country. Best of luck and remember you can come to me for anything!

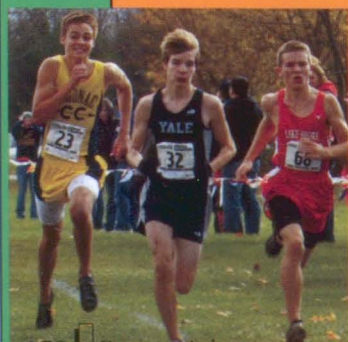
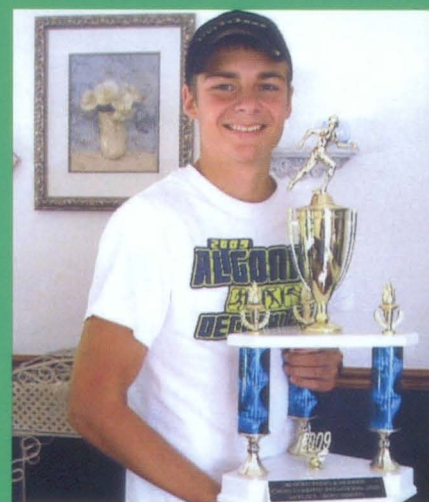
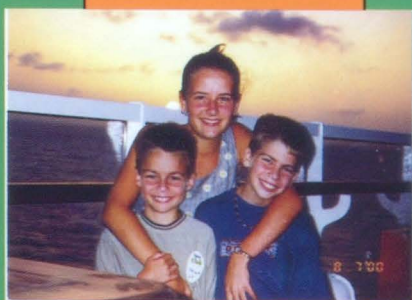
Love, Sissy

We can't believe you're graduating and off to college! You worked so hard to get great grades and deserve all the praise. We are proud of you and know whatever you set your mind to, you will achieve. We love you and hope all your dreams come true.

Love,
Grandpa and Grandma

Who would've known, the best brother and best friend I could ever have, would be going to a rival college. With how clever you are, you will do extraordinary things.

Love, Cory



Bryan Anger



All the best Bryan!
Love, Grama Kay

Bryan, Best of luck!
Love, Aunt Cindy and
Uncle Ed

Bryan,

Ever since you were born, you have had a special place in my heart. Now that you are graduating, I realize just how fast the days and years have gone by and want you to know just how proud I am of you. Aim high and fulfill your goals and dreams for the future.

Love Aunt Renee

(p.s.) You'll always be my Peanut

To our #1 oldest grandson,
Bryan, best of luck in all
you do.
Love, Granny and Pa

Congrats! Wishing you all
the best!
Love Allard, Kleine, Foos
and Koko.

Bryan,

Thank you for allowing us to
be a part of your life. We are so
proud of you. We wish you all the
best in what the future holds for
you.

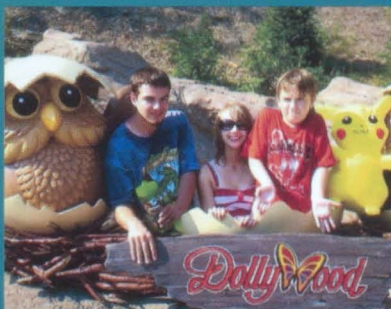
Love, Uncle Jerry
and Aunt Darlene

Bryan

I have watched you grow up to be a great young man, and on this, your graduation, I wish you all the best. Don't think of this as the end of something, but as the beginning of something much bigger. As you head off into the world of college and into the business world, always remember that you are a bright young man with tons of potential. Don't ever let anyone hold you back from something you want to do. You have the ability to conquer this world and leave it wanting more of you. I love you with all of my heart and know that you will do great things.

Love,

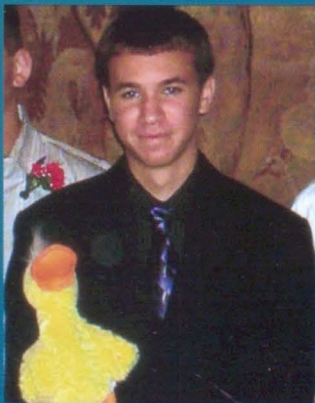
Uncle Dan, Aunt Kelly, and Evan



Bryan-

Hoping you know how proud
we are of you!

Love, Spunky and your family in
Heaven



Bryan

Every step you take towards the stage you'll look out into the crowd and see people that have been a big part of your life. Then you see Mom and I with our arms in the air and tears in our eyes, you wave and your lips moving saying "thanks Mom and Dad." Those are tears of joy knowing we raised a young boy into a fine young man. "It was all worth it."

Love, Mom and Dad

Congratulations Bryan,

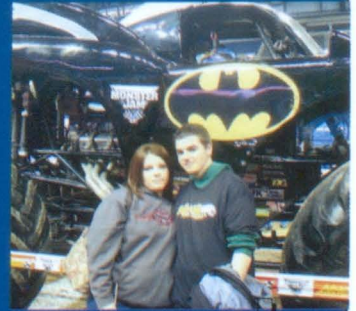
We wish you the best of luck. We are really proud of you. You will always be the biggest Muskrat we know!!

The Chesterfield Angers

Bryan-

You did it! I'm so very proud of you!
Class of '10! I love you and will always be
here 4 you.

Love, Sammie



Julie Baranowski



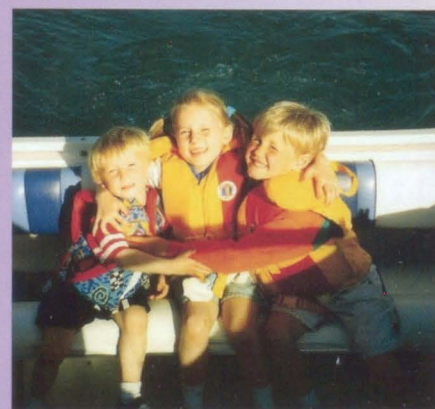
Congratulations, Julie!

We are so happy and very proud of your many accomplishments. Our little "jewel" has grown into a precious gem. You are a beautiful, intelligent, and fun-spirited daughter. You have provided us with so many precious memories that we will treasure for a lifetime. We love you very much and we eagerly await to see your dreams come true.



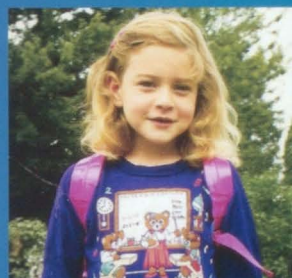
As you enter your college years, always keep your faith, family, and friends in the forefront of your thoughts and know that we will continue to be supportive of your goals and aspirations.

Love,
Mom & Dad



Elizabeth Darling

As a little girl you were all eyes, analyzing everything, quietly taking it all in. It's been a pleasure to watch you do what you enjoy, whether on stage, in the band, plowing through defense, or shooting a goal. You are bright and talented and we are proud to be your Mom and Dad.



Dear Striker,
You're an amazing student, soccer player and sister. I know you'll thrive in college. I'm going to miss you, I love you and I'm so proud of you.
Love Keeper.



You're a pretty awesome kid. Not many girls could come out and be my first pick for pick up soccer. You'll do great at Saginaw Valley. Stay confident and outgoing, just as you are. Never forget that no matter what happens, you are justified only by your salvation in Christ.
Love, John

Shelby Garchow



My baby girl

You are my first born and will always be my baby girl. I could not be more happier for you. I know getting this far has been trying and you have pulled through. It does not seem possible that you are graduating and going to college. It seems like yesterday you were just a little one running around the yard. I have to tell you that I am so proud of the young lady you have become and how strong willed you are. Keep following your dreams and do not let anything change your mind. I will always be behind you in whatever decisions you make. Remember I will always be there for you sweetie... Love, Mom.

Dear Shelby-

We finally have a granddaughter. What a beautiful young lady you are. We are very proud of how you've found what you want to do as an adult. We wish you much success in your career choice. You're bound to excel at what you do. Good luck in all you do.

Love,
Pa and Hama

Congrats sis-

I am so proud to call you my sister. I will miss you when you go to college.

Keep your dreams alive.

Love your Bro, Gavin

Congratulations, you made it!! I am glad you found something you are so passionate about (cooking), since it is much more enjoyable when you do something you love. I know we have had our ups and downs, but that is part of being a family and I will always be here for you if you ever need anything!! Good luck in the future with everything you do!! Erik

Shelby

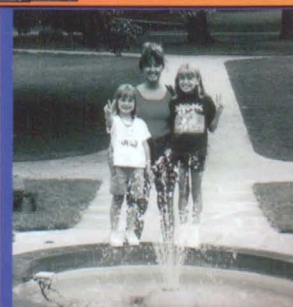
I'm very proud of my little angel. You did it. No matter what we may go through you will always be daddy's little girl. I enjoyed all our times together like riding the mini bike and working on the Mustang by you grabbing sand paper and sanding the bottom of the car, or planting the gardens and you eating all the veggies out of it. Keep up the good work and you can do whatever you put your mind to. Keep aiming high. Love always, Dad

Shelby-

I am very proud of you for graduating, you did it sis. Keep up the good work and keep your head held high and always follow your dreams. Love your baby brother, Cameron

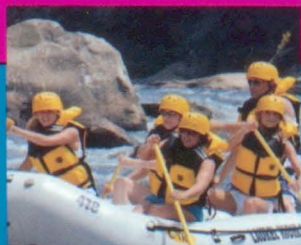


Jessica Kilgore



Jessica,

You've finally made it into senior year and with great success. You were in such a hurry to get here now relax and enjoy. Life will happen, plans will change, but don't let it frustrate you. You are a very driven, sincere and responsible young lady. I'm very honored to be your mom. You have made me so proud in so many ways and I know you will continue to do so. Remember to think things through before you make major decisions, don't rush through life and have fun along the way. I have great faith you will achieve all of your dreams. I will always support you and will always be here for you. I love you, Mom.



Jessica,

I can't believe your last years of high school would come so quickly. I have so many great memories behind us that mean so much to me. "Time is precious." I know you will be thinking about the next chapter in your life once you graduate. I believe you can do anything you set your mind to. Continue to think and choose your goals carefully as you always have. I'm very proud to be your father and will always be here for you. Love Dad

Jessica,

I can't believe my little sister is graduating. When people ask about you I refer to you as though you are still six years old wearing your Michael Jordan shirt with gaudy shorts. They say that high school will be the best years of your life but just wait until next year in college - you'll have ten times the fun as you have these past four years. I have no doubt in my mind that you will make something of yourself in the upcoming years. You have admirable drive and dedication which makes me wonder where mine went. We have our very frequent times butting heads but I am excited for the future to grow up and closer to each other as not only family but as friends. You're stepping into the real world soon, so enjoy life while you can. Don't grow up too fast, you're already making me feel old.

Love and good luck,

Kristen

Jessica,

These past four years have flown by so fast. It's amazing we are about to graduate. It seems like yesterday we were living it up and carefree, although we have some big challenges that behold us we will get through them knowing that we have each other to rely on. I love you so much and may the next years be the best years of our lives. Xoxo Matt

Jessica Rose

My Dearest Jessica,

I have loved you from the minute you were born until now and every second in between.

When you were a baby I would hold you all the time because I knew that one day you would grow into a young lady and not need your mom as much. Here you are, graduating high school and off to college. You have grown into a wonderful, brilliant, beautiful young lady; words can never express how proud I am of you.

You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you choose. You're on your own. And you know what you know. You are the gal who'll decide where to go. — Dr. Seuss

Wherever you choose to go or whatever you choose to do with the rest of your life, I will always be your #1 fan.

I love you, Mom



Katelyn,

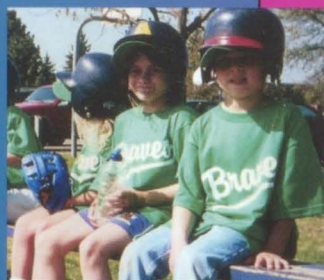
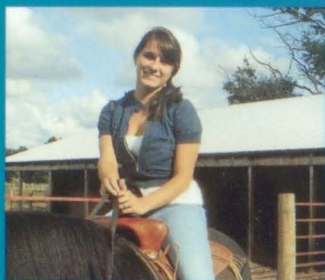
18 years has flown by and we have watched you turn into a beautiful woman. You are a very talented and artistic person and we can't wait to see how you use them. Just remember the future is yours and you will get what you give. Congratulations and best of luck in all that you do.



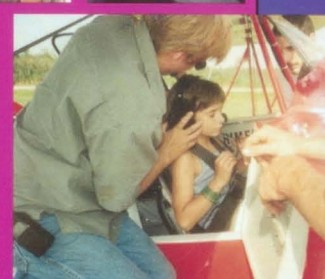
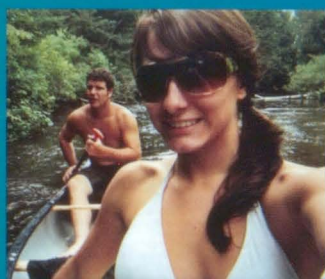
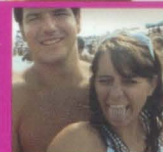
Kateilyn Burboy

Love, Mom, Tony, and Jon

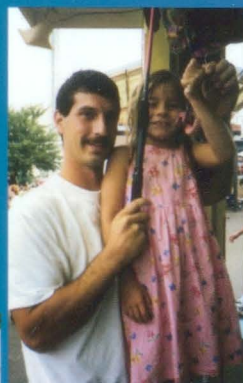
Sarah LaPlante



Dear Dork, You have made us very proud of you. Now it's time to move out of here and take your rabbit too! We wish you all the best. Make good choices and head for the moon. Most importantly, have fun getting there!
Love, Mom & Dad



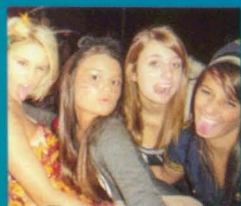
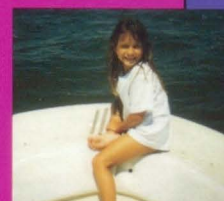
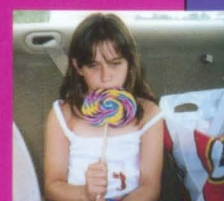
Butsy Lou, Along with the two coffee cups I've willed to you, you have also inherited my upside-down glasses. Put them on the squirrel so he can see who shot him. Love you more, Nana



Congratulations Sarah. I can't believe you graduated, I really can't. Just kidding, just kidding. Unemployment will be lucky to have you. Good luck in all you do. And don't get caught! Your weird, kinda-sorta Uncle Ray.



Sarah, Look what I found in your room today! Oh my goodness, cancel Christmas! Johnny Five



Congrats to my favorite niece! Love ya, Uncle Don

Sarah, It is the cats I'm telling you, it's the cats... Love, Angela



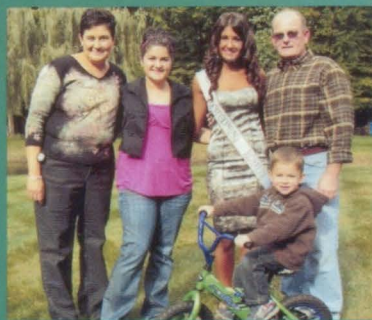
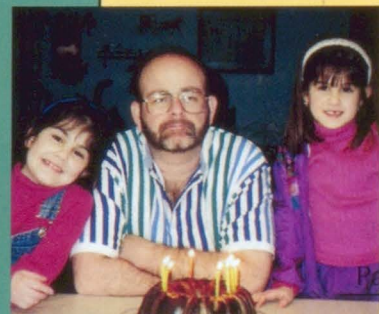
Stacy Rix

Staarsa-Roo,

Congratulations, you have done a very fine job at completing your High School years. We are very proud of you for maintaining the grades you achieved while you participated in so many extra curricular activities. You have learned that it takes a lot of work to get the things you want, and you have to take control, and be a leader or it will not get done the way you want it to be. As you start the next phase of your life, keep striving to do your best and good things will come.

Good luck, we love you.

Dad, Mom, Amanda, & Matthew



Brittany Vernier



To my beautiful daughter

Brittany (BeBe) Jean Vernier:

I cannot believe you are all grown up and graduating already! Time goes by so fast, so live life to the fullest! As you step out into the world to start a new adventure, just know that I am always here for you and you will always be my little girl no matter how old you get! I am so proud of you!!! Follow your heart and your dreams will come true! I love you so very much!

My, how you have grown,
Before long you will be moving from home.
Seems like yesterday you were just a baby,
Now you have turned into a beautiful young lady.

You have your whole life before you,
In the years to come what will you do.
I pray that all your dreams come true.

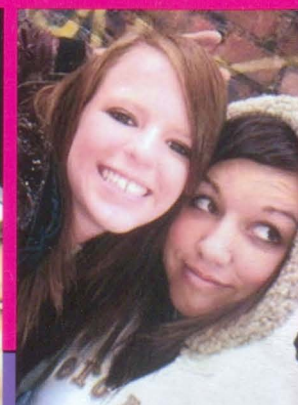
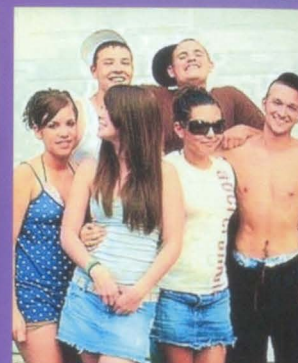
You are dearly loved by the ones who love you,
Just remember that God is always with you in everything you do.

Love Always and Forever, Mom



The big day has finally come. I'm very proud of your success. I knew you would make it. There have been times you struggled, but since the 9th grade and on, you did it all on your own. Keep up the good work Brittany... I love you...

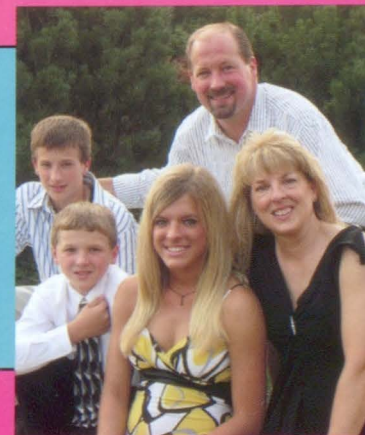
Love Dad and Cody



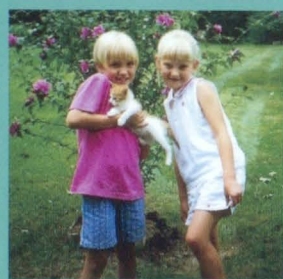
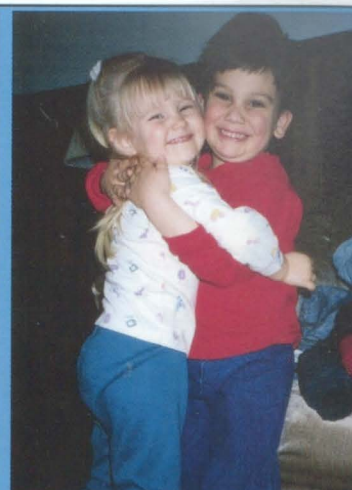
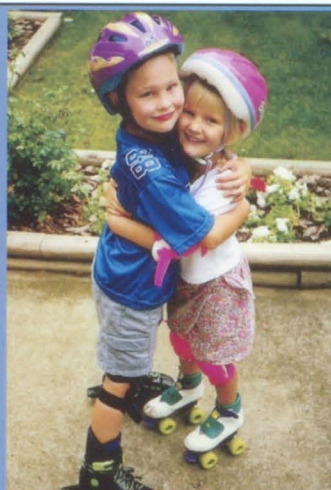
Carolyn Goodall

Carolyn,
It seems like only yesterday that God blessed us with a healthy, beautiful, baby girl. As you grew, we could not have asked for a more well behaved, positive, outgoing child. You bring sunshine into every room that you enter. Your Mom and I are so very proud to have you as our daughter. We have a countless amount of fond memories with you. You have shown us many outstanding qualities with your work ethic, caring for others, and setting lofty goals. Always remember as you continue along life's journey that in the end, what matters most is not what material things you have acquired, but the lives you have touched along the way. God has blessed you with many gifts to fulfill this purpose.

We Love you! -Mom and Dad



Brooke Ruhlman



Brooke,

I want to capture this moment in time, but I am not quite sure how to go about it. What words could I write that would convey to you today, and years from now, how much you are loved, how much you mean to your family, and how proud we are to call you our daughter. I wanted words that would touch your heart, as you have touched ours. A gentle light shines within you, radiating out to the world around you. Know that we are the luckiest parents on earth because we have you in our lives.

You have always been self-motivated to be the best you can be academically. You are loving, you are kind, you are funny, you are athletic and graceful, and people are lucky to call you friend. You are your mother's best friend. I love how we sing songs in the car together. I love how you love that darn Woo of yours.

May God give you the love and happiness you deserve, as you graduate from high school and begin your life. We are so proud of you and your many accomplishments. We love you little daughter!

Love, Mom and Dad



Kaylin Hurlburt

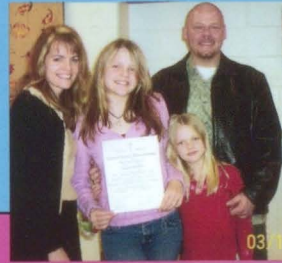
Kaylin

Watching you grow up, I've seen you excel in everything you do. You set your sights on something and you go after it. You always do your best and I admire you for it. As your father and your friend I couldn't be more proud of you. You bring so much joy and happiness to my life, I love you so much!! And I will always be there for you.

Love - Dad

P.S.

Remember - no matter your age, or place in life, you will always be my little girl.



Kaylin Marie,

18 years ago I delivered the most gorgeous, blonde haired, blue eyed little girl who was full of love and imagination. You have completely amazed us with everything you have accomplished, and you have totally exceeded any expectation we could have ever had. From the time you were 5 and you insisted on getting up in the middle of the night to help me feed your sister, then watching you fall asleep as you still had your hand on the bottle, I knew I was blessed because you were OUR MIRACLE! Watching you grow into this brilliant, sweet, thoughtful, loving woman has been the greatest gift you could have ever given us. We would like to think that we helped get you here, but we didn't honey, you did it all on your own. Congratulations beautiful, YOU did it!!!

We love you very much,
Your Very Proud Family

Gordon Leigh Marcinkoske



Gordon Leigh,
Congratulations on your
Graduation! Always keep your
motivation and dedication, and
top it off with that beautiful



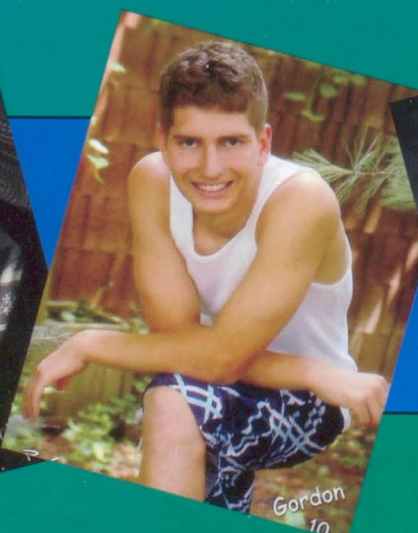
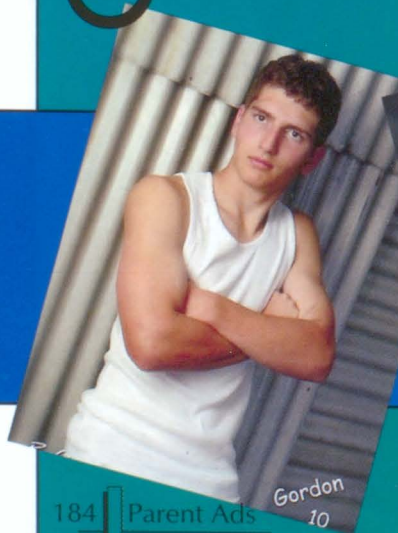
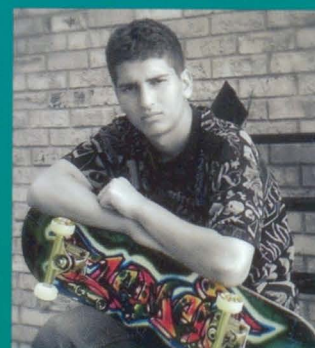
SMILE!

Love, Mom and Dad



Hey Bro,
Congratulations, you did it!!!
Was wondering, will you still
drive me in the morning?

Love Brenton



Mishe'l' May

My beautiful, intelligent, determined "Luv" of my world. From day one - you were my "Lil' Miss Hell". You were determined to enter this world - even with all the odds against us. But we made it! You had to do everything yourself! You push yourself to the limits and push yourself even more.

Many ask about the uniqueness of your name - you were named after your Auntie Michele - a very common name - which you are not a common young lady. So, your name had to be unique like yourself and with your determination - 'Lil' Mis Hel' was perfect. Your middle name Luv-An, again had to be unique. You are my "Luv" for life.

Back in elementary school you told me always that you are going to college - a dream we both shared. Now you are graduating high school and going to college - which of the many you have to choose from. You have applied and accepted to half a dozen - each of which are anxious to have you-offering you many scholarships. I am so very proud!

I want to thank you for all your help with our home and family. I want to tell you how proud I am with all your participation in activities that help others. Your smiles brighten my day, never forget how much I luv you and how proud I am of you.

Love, Mom

To Mishe'l'-

I knew you could do it and I am glad you decided to go to college. I am proud of you very much.

Dad

Thank you for all your help, Mishe'l'. I hope you have a good time in college. I love you and I'll miss you.

Brian, your little brother

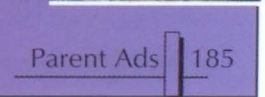
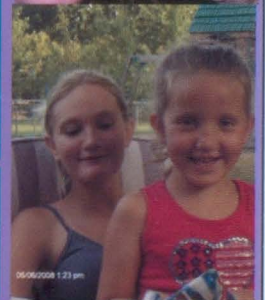
You're hard to live with and hard to get along with but you're my sister and I love you. Hope you have fun on your own. I'll miss you.

Love Davon

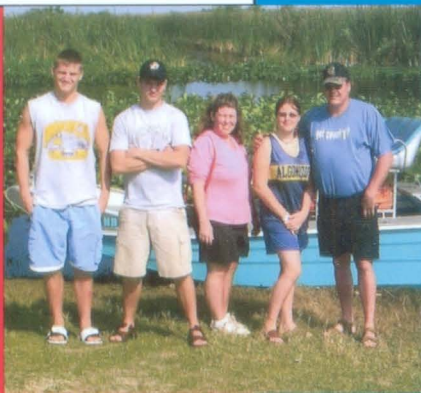
To my goddaughter:

The person I can always depend on no matter what is going on in your life. I'm so proud of you. Keep up the great work in college. If you need anything just call me.

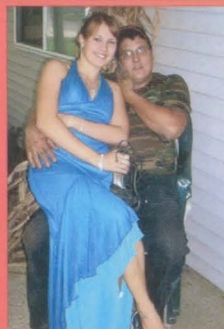
Love, Auntie Michele



Amanda Martin



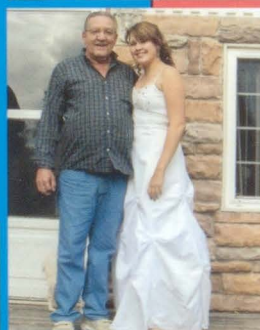
AMANDA, Congratulations! God blessed me when you were born. You were an angel to me, happy and always smiling. My baby girl has grown up to be a strong, independent, and beautiful woman. I am so proud of you. You have accomplished so much in so little time. You have touched so many lives and have made a difference. I will cherish all of the happy childhood memories we had in girl scouts, baseball, camping, parties, dances, and a lot more. I am excited about all the great opportunities that you will have in your future. I wish you success, joy, love, and happiness. I am looking forward to seeing you achieve all of your hopes and dreams. I love you!
Love MOM



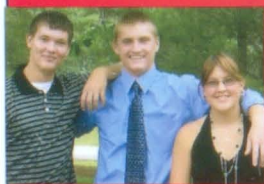
Amanda,
Seems like just yesterday, we welcomed you into this world and now it's time for you to graduate. What a nice woman you have become. May you open many doors in your lifetime and laugh, love and be happy. May you always walk in the sunshine. Love you everyday!
(Grandma) Molly and Tom Highstreet



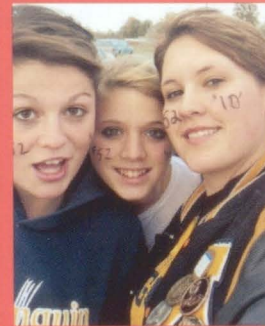
Amanda-
You have grown into a very beautiful young woman both inside and out. The future is yours. Aim high!! Go for the best--you deserve it. Congratulations!!
Love you,
Aunt Laura and Paul
P.S. Grandma would be so proud of me Mandi!!



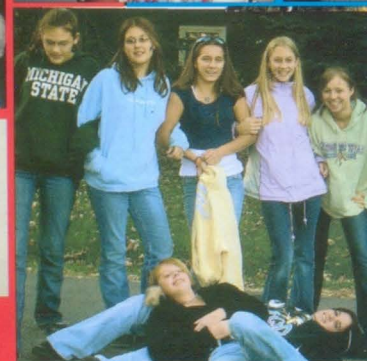
Amanda-
Congratulations!! Best of luck in the future.
Love you always,
Uncle Roy



Amanda,
Congratulations you got through the first stage of your life. I am proud of you. Don't give up in the upcoming years. Follow your dreams!
Your brother,
Douglas



Amanda,
Stay strong and keep up the hard work! I know you can do it!
Love,
Grandpa

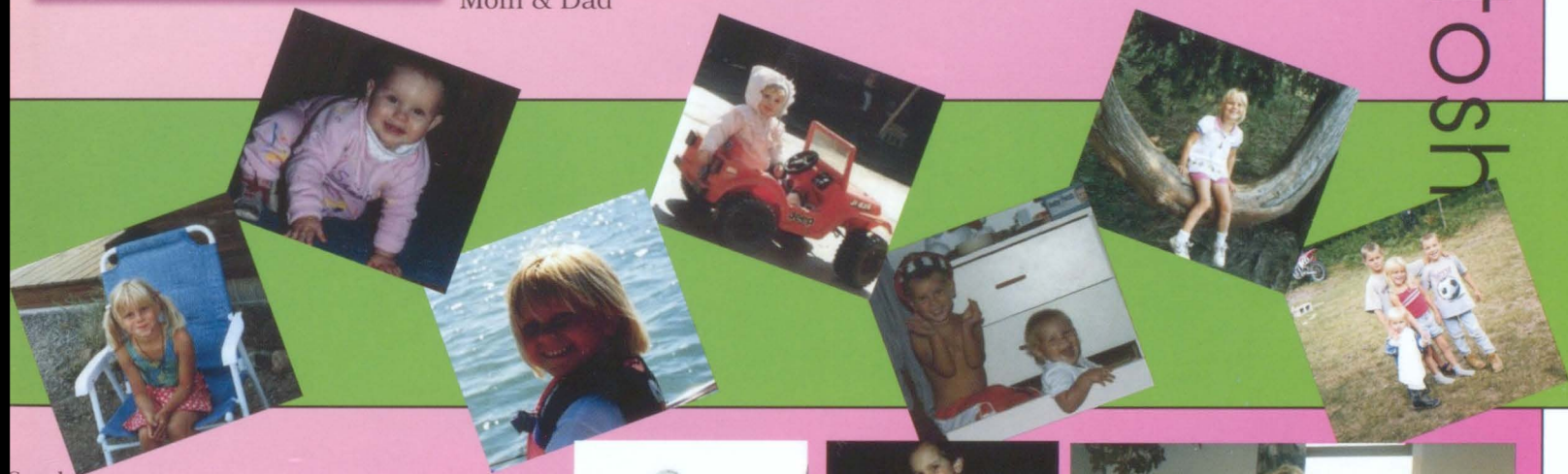


Amanda,
WOW!! I can't believe that you're graduating already!! Where has all the time gone, seems like yesterday that you were born...
I cannot explain just how proud you have made me. The woman that you have become, ever since you were a little girl, I knew there was something very special about you!! You always dove head first into everything and never let anything get into your way stay with that - it's working for you girl!!
Remember, I love you very, very, much and will always be there for you. Your future couldn't look brighter, good luck with college and everything life brings your way!
Love Always Dad

Sarah McIntosh

Wow, it seems like time sure has flown by, when your second born is graduating now. It has been so awesome watching you grow into such a wonderful woman and watching all your High School games and accomplishments along the way. And to think now you'll be attending college to be an awesome Doctor one day. "Wow." We remember when you were two, you once told us that when you grow up your going to be a Doctor, and help people feel better. We couldn't be more proud of you. Now you will close one door from High School only to open another to your future, and we know you can do anything you set your mind to. We've seen you do so, and we will always be there to cheer you on and support what ever you choose. Oh and maybe give a little advice here and there-lol. You've brought great joy to our lives, and words can't possibly say enough. We love you dearly and wish you the best in your future endeavors.

All Our Love,
Mom & Dad



Sarah,
You are such an amazing, beautiful, smart girl. You have so much ahead of you in life, so live it up to the fullest. So, basically if you don't change a thing, you will be successful throughout college and in life. Congrats on the graduation. ;)

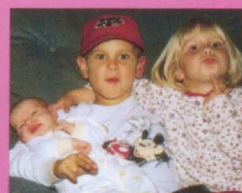
Love, PJ

Wow Sarah! Congratulations!!!! I guess blondes aren't that dumb! Just kidding. You made it. Trust me, graduating isn't all its hyped up to be. Time flies by now, make the most of it. I hope you get what you're going for in life.

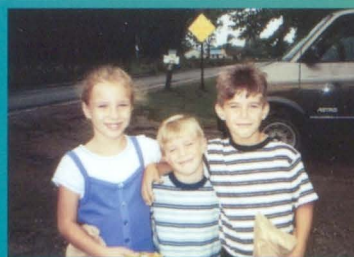
Love, Josh

I know I'm supposed to say all this stuff how I love you and congrats, but I'd rather not. So, I'm going to make this short and sweet. Congrats. Hope you do something with your life. How about some Nazi Zombies later?

Love, Macky



Dominick Mayle



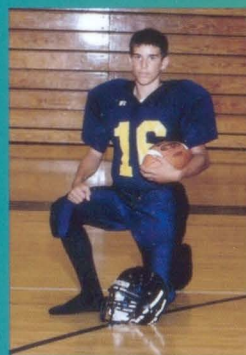
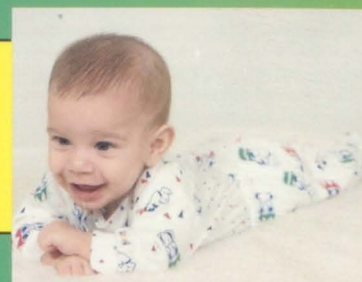
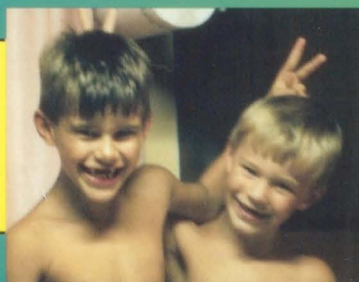
Dominick,

It's amazing how 18 years flew by. It seems like it was just yesterday that we were watching your favorite cartoons, now we are watching you graduate. I remember when I didn't have to ask you for a hug, and now I'm lucky to get one even if I beg you (j/k). You are amazing in everything you do, and you have always given everything you have.

Although some of life's lessons have been tough, you are resilient and I admire that in you. You know that your Dad and I are extremely proud of you and in everything you do. - Always keep a level head and keep smiling; it's contagious

We love you,

Mom, Dad, Devon and Sarina



Chantelle Smith

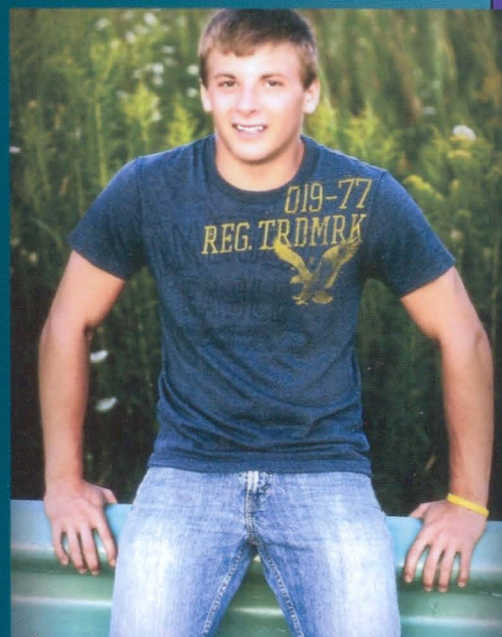


Chantelle,

We love you very much and we are so proud of you!

Love,

Mom, Dad, and Kayla



It has been 18 wonderful years since you came into our lives. We watched as you took your first breath, first steps, and we watched you grow into the man you are today. All the while that we watched, we admired, we adored, we loved. Now we will watch as you work to fulfill your life's dreams and ambitions. We know that you will succeed in reaching your goals. We love you Max!

Maxwell Trombly



Julie
Kristin
Megan
Beth
Rachel



FAKE FRIENDS: Never ask for food.

REAL FRIENDS: Are the reason you have no food.

FAKE FRIENDS: Never seen you cry.

REAL FRIENDS: Cry with you.

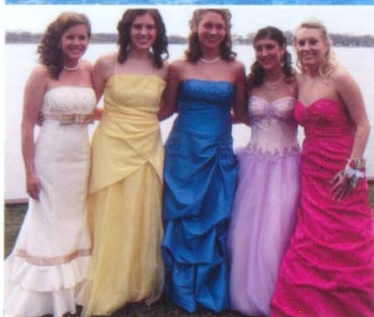


FAKE FRIENDS: Borrow your stuff for a few days then give it back.

REAL FRIENDS: Keep your stuff so long they forget its yours.

FAKE FRIENDS: Know a few things about you.

REAL FRIENDS: Could write a book about you with direct quotes from you.



FAKE FRIENDS: Would knock on your front door.

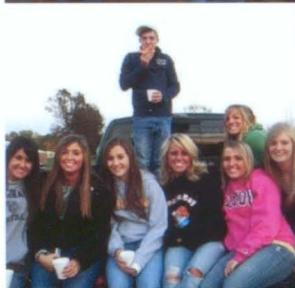
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FAKE FRIENDS: Are for awhile.

REAL FRIENDS: ARE FOR LIFE!

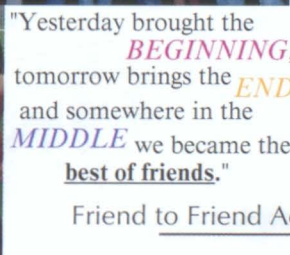
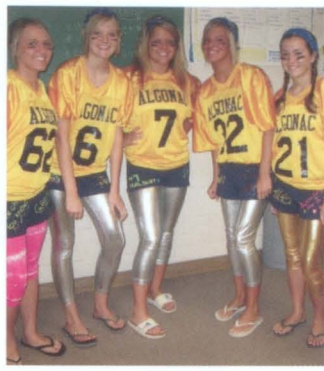


Stacy Katie Cori Brooke Kaylin



"Some people come into our **LIVES** and quickly go. Some stay for a while, leave footprints on our **HEARTS** and we are never, ever the **SAME**."





Sam
Brittany
Ally
Carolyn
Sarah

"Yesterday brought the **BEGINNING**, tomorrow brings the **END**, and somewhere in the **MIDDLE** we became the **best of friends.**"

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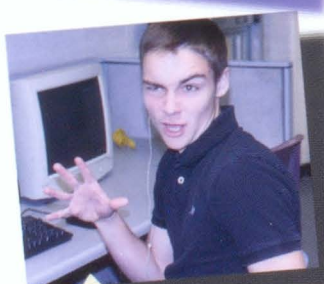
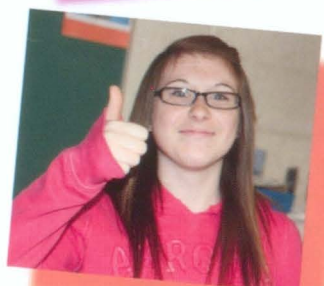
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A yearbook is a journey that begins with moments. As a staff, we capture those moments in pictures and in words, but, in the long run, what matters most are the moments that are captured in the hearts and in the minds of those who flip the pages of this book. I was gifted with a staff who cared about making the memories that we captured come alive for all of those who choose to take this journey with us. Putting together this yearbook has become a memory of my own etched into my heart and mind forever. I will be eternally grateful for the lessons taught to me by my amazing editors and diligent staff, and I realize that none of this could have been done without the help of Mrs. Ruth Mavis. Her dedication has made this book what it has become, and I work in the hopes to one day fill her shoes, and be not just the advisor, but the mentor that she is. Ultimately, it has been made obvious that anything can be done when you let your voice be heard. ~Ms. Wummel

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Looking back at the past three years, the production of the school's yearbook has been changed immensely with the help of great staff members and wonderful advisors. As sophomores, the three of us came into this class unaware of how much dedication and committment goes into the creation of the yearbook. Although the staff members have a huge part in creating the yearbook, it could not be done without the help of our advisor, Ms. Wummel. She has helped us tremendously over the past years to make the yearbook something truly special. Without our staff, we would be no where, and our book would not be nearly as great. We want to thank everyone for all of the memories that are seen throughout the book, as well as the lasting memories that will forever be a part of who we are, and who we are becoming.

Thank you so much, Katie **Kastler**, Brooke **Ruhlman**, and Carolyn **Goodall**

Congratulations to the 2010 staff and Ms. Wummel - you have brought this book into the digital age with creativity and excellence. This has been a wonderful experience for me. Ms. Wummel - thank you for letting me be a part of this production - this has meant so much to me. *"In ordinary life, we hardly realize that we receive a great deal more than we give..."* (Dietrich Bonhoeffer). Mrs. Mavis

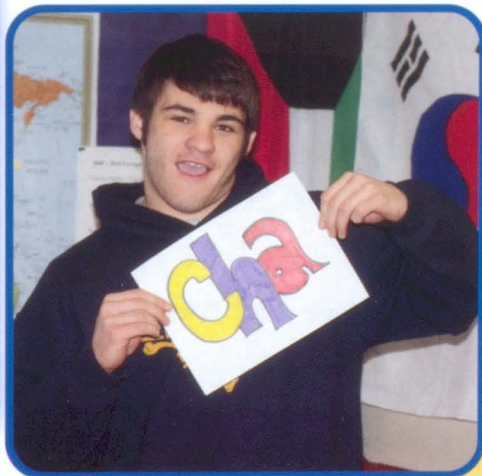
"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."

-Martin Luther King, Jr.

Have a voice!

The 2010 school year went by faster than any of us would have imagined. We grew up as students and people, we made long lasting friendships, had many laughs, and most of all we learned. We learned who we were, learned lessons in school, and even lessons in life. Most importantly, we learned to use our voice.

Another year gone and done with. Some of us will be moving on to something different and new, and some of us have a few years left to spend here. But never will we forget the days, the moments, and the memories we made. Never will we forget the power of the sound of our voices, or the time we all spent here at Algonac High School.





Julie Baranowski (12)



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As we *grow up*, we learn that even the one person that wasn't supposed to ever let us down, probably will. You'll have your heart broken and you'll break others' hearts. You'll fight with your *best friend* or maybe even fall in love with them, and you'll cry because time is flying by. So take too many pictures, *laugh too much*, forgive freely, and love like you've never been hurt. *Life comes with no guarantees*, no time outs, no second chances. you just have to live life to the fullest, tell someone what they *mean to you* and tell someone off, *speak out*, dance in the pouring rain, hold someone's hand, comfort a friend, fall asleep watching the sun come up, stay up late, be a flirt, and smile until your face hurts. Don't be afraid to *take chances* or fall in love and most of all, *LIVE IN THE MOMENT* because every second you spend angry or upset is a second of happiness you can never get back.

-Unknown Author

